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Militants kill 9 passengers from 2 buses in Balochistan

Press Trust of India
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Insurgents shot dead nine passengers after offloading them from passenger buses in Pakistan's restive Balochistan province, authorities said on Friday.

The incident took place late on Thursday on the national highway in the Sur-Dakai area of Zhob district, Assistant Commissioner Zhob Naveed Alam said.

The armed insurgents stopped two buses bound for Pakistan's Punjab province and checked the identity cards of travellers before offloading nine passengers and shooting them dead.

"Nine people abducted from both coaches have been killed, and their bodies have been recovered," Mr. Alam said, adding that all nine were from Punjab.

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Nine Pak. sites hit during Operation Sindoor: Doval

NSA says the entire operation was over in 23 minutes and only terrorist bases were targeted; he also highlights the crucial role played by indigenous systems such as BrahMos in the conflict

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At IIT-Madras, the NSA urges youth to pursue indigenous technology and knowledge systems

■ On claims of damage to India in Pakistan attacks, Doval dares anyone to show any pictures of damage

> We hit nowhere else except that (the targets). It was precise to the point where we knew who was where. The operation started at 5 minutes past one and it was over at 28 minutes past one – 23 minutes
>
> We are really proud of it [Operation Sindoor], not for necessarily what people perceive, [but] that how much of indigenous content was there... our Brahmos systems... our integrated air control and command systems... the radars... – NSA AJIT DOVAL

National Security Adviser Ajit Doval said on Friday that India hit nine terrorist targets across Pakistan during Operation Sindoor. "We missed none," he said at the 62nd convocation of the Indian Institute of Technology, Madras.

"We hit nowhere else except that. It was precise to the point where we knew who was where. The entire operation started at five minutes past one and was over at 28 minutes past one – 23 minutes," he said to loud applause from the audience. "Thereafter, the foreign press had carried several reports saying Pakistan did this or that. You show me any photograph, any imagery – you know, these days these imageries are from satellites all over the world – which show any Indian damage being done, even a glass pane having been broken," he said.

"Mention was made here of Operation Sindoor. We are really proud of it, not necessarily for what people perceive, [but] how much of indigenous content was there... whether it was our BrahMos systems... our integrated air-control and command systems, the radars... [or] all that was being done as battlefield surveillance," he said.

'Focus on AI'

Mr. Doval urged the graduands to work towards developing indigenous technology and knowledge systems that could take the country forward in various fields like communication and defence.

"By the time we celebrate 100 years of Independence, you will be at the peak of your careers," he said, urging them to focus on emerging fields such as artificial intelligence and quantum computing.

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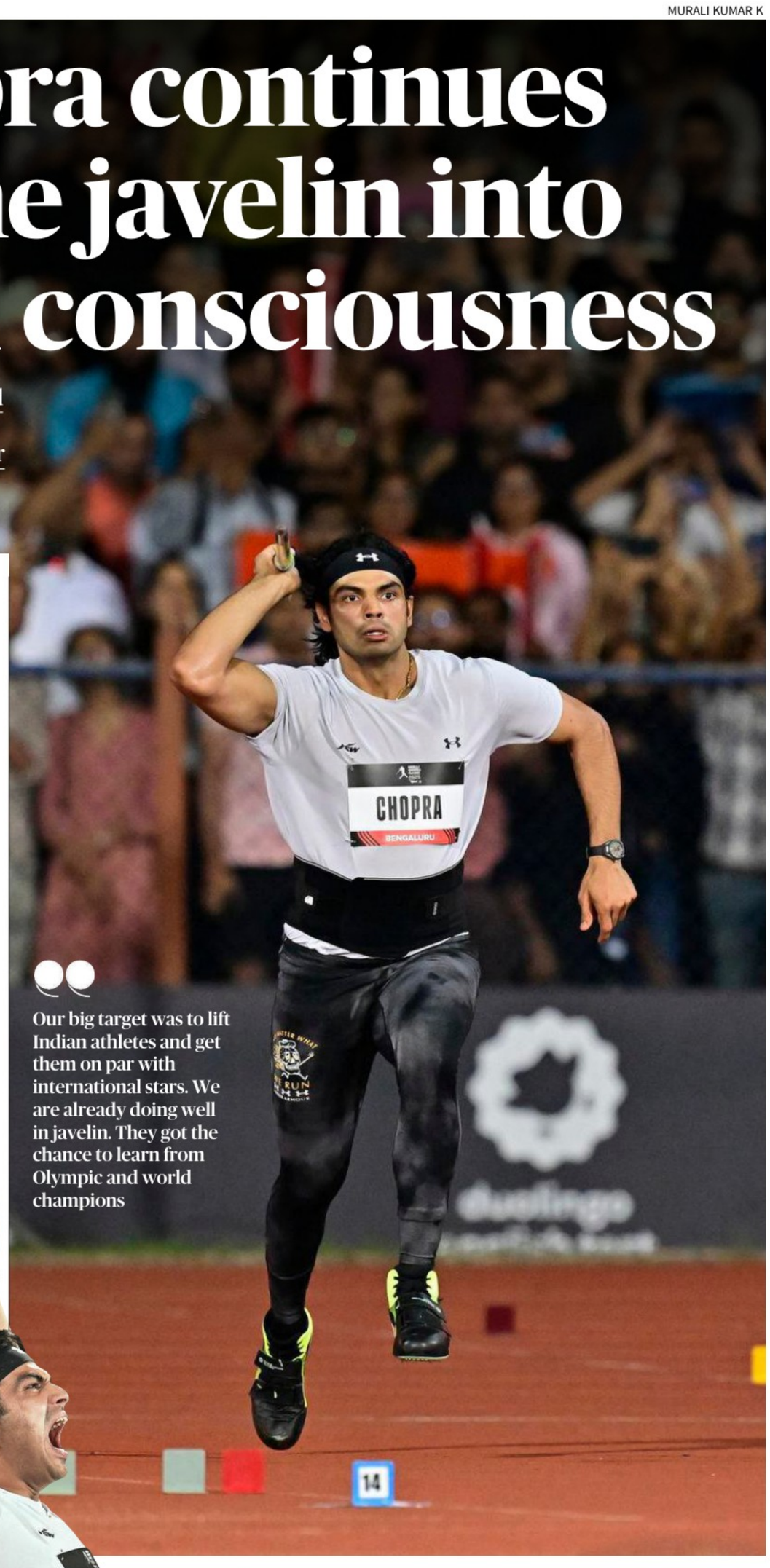
Neeraj Chopra continues to project the javelin into mainstream consciousness

Not too long ago, the idea of a standalone javelin event would have been dismissed as a joke. But the success of the Neeraj Chopra Classic — hosted and won by the man it's named after — showed that the 27-year-old's dream of inspiring youngsters to take up the sport is flourishing



Our big target was to lift Indian athletes and get them on par with international stars. We are already doing well in javelin. They got the chance to learn from Olympic and world champions

AFP

Ashwin Achal

To perform as a top-level athlete is hard enough. To double up as the tournament organiser is a whole new challenge.

All things considered, Neeraj Chopra passed this stern test. The Neeraj Chopra Classic, where the 27-year-old acted as the host alongside JSW, went off without a hitch.

Busy turnstiles

The Sree Kanteerava Stadium wore a festive look with 14,593 enthusiastic spectators – an impressive number normally reserved for high-profile Bengaluru FC football outings.

Neeraj the athlete came into his own when the action commenced. After a foul throw on the first attempt, he struck gold on the third throw with a 86.18m heave. With the fan favourite claiming the title, the event followed the perfect script.

There was, however, some disappointment that the distances recorded were well short of elite marks. The heavy winds no doubt made this a real challenge – a factor acknowledged by Neeraj and his rivals.

The tournament could have done with a little more publicity and buzz, with many Bengalureans unaware that a world-class javelin field had assembled in their city.

While this is perhaps a point to note when planning for the next edition of the NC Classic, a relieved Neeraj was happy that the event was completed successfully.

"I didn't expect such a good crowd in the first edition. We had so much support. I thank World Athletics for giving us a Continental Tour Gold event. It's a big thing for our country. I hope we bring more competitions like this in the future," Neeraj said.

"The State government, Athletics Federation of India, World Athletics, JSW, sponsors – everyone supported me. We all worked together like a team. I'm thrilled."

The big picture – to inspire young children to take up the sport of javelin – was fulfilled. The stands were filled with eager teenagers, accompanied by young adults who also harboured grand dreams of emulating the two-time Olympic medallist.

When Neeraj entered the Sree Kanteerava Stadium to fireworks, the noise was deafening. The massive outpouring of love made him emotional.

> All we want is for people to come and watch us perform. And when parents feel there is something to achieve in athletics, only then will they encourage their kids in track and field

"I felt so good that athletics is getting so much support. This is exactly what we wanted – people should watch track and field," he said.

"Athletes work so hard, and it's all behind the curtains. Track and field is one of the hardest sports. All we want is for people to come and watch us perform. And when parents feel there is something to achieve in athletics, only then will they encourage their kids in track and field."

Neeraj gave an insight into his role as an organiser-cum-athlete. "I was always thinking about the athletes and their friends. One day, at our hotel, I had to eat spicy food. I said, 'This spicy food is okay for me, but it will be too much for them [foreign competitors]'. So I changed the food menu at the hotel," Neeraj laughed and said.

Juggling duties

Neeraj admitted that juggling host and athlete duties took a toll on his training and preparation. "Being a pure athlete is difficult when you are an organiser. Being an athlete, you have to eat well three times a day, rest well, train. These things are tough to manage when you are also organising the event. But I did have help from the AFI and JSW team, so I did not have too much work to do. They managed mostly on their own," Neeraj said.

"It was a new experience. When I am no longer an athlete, then maybe I can become a good tournament organiser."

The stress carried over to the field as well. "When we were entering the arena, there was a delay. If I was just an athlete, then a delay would not have bothered me. But in this case, I was worried. In between throws, I also checked in with the referees to ask if everything was going well.

"The mini car, which carried the javelin sticks to the athletes, was moving slowly. The competitors wanted it to be faster, so they could throw quickly. So I told them to walk up and pick up the sticks with their hands instead. Yes, I was noting all these small things," Neeraj said.

The decision to stage the tournament in Bengaluru came through unusual circumstances. The NC Classic was scheduled to be held in Panchkula on May 24, but floodlight issues at the Tau Devi Lal Stadium forced a shift to Bengaluru.

The India-Pakistan cross-border tensions then prompted a postponement. All the uncertainty notwithstanding, Neeraj was satisfied that the showpiece was conducted in Bengaluru, a city he is quite familiar with.

"I used to come to Bengaluru to watch Bengaluru FC games. I have also trained in Bengaluru in the past. The people of Bengaluru enjoyed the night. I was here to showcase my passion for javelin throw. I was worried whether people would come to the stadium, but there was a lot of support," he said.

Neeraj's winning throw was nowhere near his personal best of 90.23m, but on a night affected by strong winds, it was enough to get the job done.

Apart from the stiff breeze, Neeraj had to fight a bout of nerves as well. "Mentally, it was very tough for me, because so many people came to support me. I was a little scared, especially since the tournament was in my name. I talked to my coach [world record holder Jan Zelezny], who told me to stay relaxed. My friend [and rival] Julius Yego also told me to be calm and throw far," Neeraj said.

"There was also a lot of wind – both headwind and crosswind. It was a little strange. I had technical problems and messed up in the beginning. On my fifth throw, when I recorded 84.07m, I actually thought it would reach 87 to 88m. But the wind was blowing from the front, which made things difficult."

Platforming Indians

The occasion allowed four other Indians – Sachin Yadav, Yash Vir Singh, Sahil Silwal and Rohit Yadav – to take on the world's best. Sachin Yadav (82.33m) did the best among the lot – a commendable performance given that he was carrying an ankle injury.

"Our big target was to lift Indian athletes and get them on par with international stars. We are already doing well in javelin. We have 80m-plus throwers. They got the chance to learn from Olympic and world champions," Neeraj said.

As and when he gets the chance to soak it all in, Neeraj will be a satisfied man. Not too long ago, the thought of conducting a standalone javelin event would have been brushed off as a joke. The NC Classic has proved that Indian track and field has the potential to enter the mainstream.

STACKING UP

ATP Men's Top 15

#	Player	Age	Points	Events
1	Jannik Sinner	23	10,430	16
2	Carlos Alcaraz	22	9,300	20
3	Alexander Zverev	28	6,500	24
4	Jack Draper	23	4,650	17
5	Taylor Fritz	27	4,635	21
6	Novak Djokovic	38	4,630	19
7	Lorenzo Musetti	23	4,140	20
8	Holger Rune	22	3,530	23
9	Daniil Medvedev	29	3,420	21
10	Ben Shelton	22	3,130	24
11	Alex de Minaur	26	3,085	22
12	Frances Tiafoe	27	2,990	25
13	Tommy Paul	28	2,970	20
14	Andrey Rublev	27	2,920	29
15	Casper Ruud	26	2,905	23

Top Indians ▶

Sumit Nagal
Rank 296 ▼ 2 spots

Mukund Sasikumar
Rank 415 ▲ 3 spots

WTA Women's Top 15

#	Player	Age	Points	Events
1	Aryna Sabalenka	27	11,640	19
2	Coco Gauff	21	7,899	19
3	Jessica Pegula	31	6,483	21
4	Iga Swiatek	24	4,943	16
5	Jasmine Paolini	29	4,806	19
6	Qinwen Zheng	22	4,803	19
7	Mirra Andreeva	18	4,743	19
8	Madison Keys	30	4,484	19
9	Paula Badosa	27	3,684	22
10	Emma Navarro	24	3,610	25
11	Elena Rybakina	26	3,456	20
12	Amanda Anisimova	23	3,200	22
13	Elina Svitolina	30	3,094	16
14	Karolina Muchova	28	2,881	17
15	Diana Shnaider	21	2,776	27

Top Indians ▶

Shrivalli Bhamidipaty
Rank 322 ▼ 2 spots

Sahaja Yamalapalli
Rank 334 ▼ 1 spot

F1 Drivers' standings

#	Driver	Team	Points	Wins
1	Oscar Piastri	McLaren	234	5
2	Lando Norris	McLaren	226	4
3	Max Verstappen	Red Bull	165	2
4	George Russell	Mercedes	147	1
5	Charles Leclerc	Ferrari	119	0
6	Lewis Hamilton	Ferrari	103	0
7	Kimi Antonelli	Mercedes	63	0
8	Alexander Albon	Williams	46	0
9	Nico Hulkenberg	Sauber	37	0
10	Esteban Ocon	Haas	23	0
11	Isack Hadjar	Racing Bulls	21	0
12	Lance Stroll	Aston Martin	20	0
13	Pierre Gasly	Alpine	19	0
14	Fernando Alonso	Aston Martin	16	0
15	Carlos Sainz	Williams	13	0
16	Liam Lawson	Racing Bulls	12	0
17	Yuki Tsunoda	Red Bull	10	0
18	Oliver Bearman	Haas	6	0
19	Gabriel Bortoleto	Sauber	4	0
20	Franco Colapinto	Alpine	0	0

Oscar Piastri

Lando Norris

F1 Constructors' standings

Pos	Team	Points	Wins
1	McLaren	460	9
2	Ferrari	222	0
3	Mercedes	210	1
4	Red Bull	172	2
5	Williams	59	0
6	Kick Sauber	41	0
7	RB	36	0
8	Aston Martin	36	0
9	Haas	29	0
10	Alpine	19	0

Badminton Men's ranking

#	Player	Points	Events
1	Kunlavut Vitidsarn	97,179	18
2	Anders Antonsen	92,253	17
3	Shi Yu Qi	91,517	13
4	Jonatan Christie	80,614	16
5	Li Shi Feng	79,678	18
6	Chou Tien Chen	78,979	24
7	Kodai Naraoka	73,204	20
8	Alex Lanier	69,471	14
9	Viktor Axelsen	69,440	10
10	Loh Kean Yew	66,719	19
11	Lu Guang Zu	61,860	18
12	Kenta Nishimoto	61,722	23
13	Weng Hong Yang	59,570	17
14	Lee Cheuk Yiu	57,192	20
15	Lin Chun-Yi	56,260	15

Top Indians ▶

Lakshya Sen
Rank 18

Ayush Shetty
Rank 30

Badminton Women's ranking

#	Player	Points	Events
1	An Se Young	1,11,120	11
2	Wang Zhi Yi	1,05,312	17
3	Akane Yamaguchi	86,364	14
4	Han Yue	85,550	17
5	Chen Yu Fei	73,885	10
6	Tomoka Miyazaki	71,964	22
7	Pornpawee Chochuwong	71,058	21
8	Gregoria Mariska Tunjung	70,060	13
9	Supanida Katethong	65,107	15
10	Ratchanok Intanon	64,144	19
11	Putri Kusuma Wardani	62,450	17
12	Yeo Jia Min	61,583	17
13	Gao Fang Jie	60,810	12
14	Sim Yu Jin	56,039	15
15	Busanan Ongbamrungphan	54,160	15

Top Indians ▶

P.V. Sindhu
Rank 16

Malvika Bansod
Rank 25

Test Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Harry Brook	886	898
2	Joe Root	868	932
3	Kane Williamson	867	919
4	Yashasvi Jaiswal	858	858
5	Steve Smith	813	947
6	Shubman Gill	807	807
7	Temba Bavuma	790	806
7	Rishabh Pant	790	801
9	Kamindu Mendis	781	784
10	Jamie Smith	753	753

Test Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Jasprit Bumrah	898	908
2	Kagiso Rabada	851	902
3	Pat Cummins	840	914
4	Josh Hazlewood	817	864
5	Noman Ali	806	806
6	Matt Henry	782	782
7	Nathan Lyon	777	812
8	Marco Jansen	767	803
9	Jayden Seales	755	742
10	Mitchell Starc	735	807

ODI Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Shubman Gill	784	847
2	Babar Azam	766	898
3	Rohit Sharma	756	882
4	Virat Kohli	736	909
5	Daryl Mitchell	720	751
6	Charith Asalanka	719	725
7	Harry Tector	708	767
8	Shreyas Iyer	704	710
9	Ibrahim Zadran	676	693
10	Kusal Mendis	669	802

ODI Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Maheesh Theekshana	671	686
2	Kuldeep Yadav	650	761
3	Keshav Maharaj	648	741
4	Bernard Scholtz	644	648
5	Rashid Khan	640	799
6	Mitchell Santner	637	657
7	Matt Henry	622	691
8	Wanindu Hasaranga	619	619
9	Ravindra Jadeja	616	733
10	Adam Zampa	614	699

T20I Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Travis Head	856	885
2	Abhishek Sharma	829	829
3	Tilak Varma	804	845
4	Philip Salt	791	881
5	Jos Buttler	772	774
6	Suryakumar Yadav	739	912
7	Pathum Nissanka	714	722
8	Tim Seifert	708	708
9	Kusal Perera	676	786
9	Reeza Hendricks	676	717

T20I Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Jacob Duffy	723	723
2	Adil Rashid	710	747
3	Varun Chakravarthy	706	706
4	Wanindu Hasaranga	700	809
5	Akeal Hosein	697	714
6	Adam Zampa	694	746
7	Ravi Bishnoi	674	707
8	Maheesh Theekshana	666	686
9	Rashid Khan	664	828
10	Arshdeep Singh	653	679

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Govt. decides to provide free bus facility for KPS students

Even as Shivakumar announced this on his X account, Transport Minister Ramalinga Reddy said that his department had not received any official order or request from the government

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

With an aim to increase the attendance and quality of education in government schools, the State government has decided to provide 'Free Transport Bhagya' to students of Karnataka Public Schools (KPS) across the State.

Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar announced this on Friday through his 'X' account. "The government is committed to the bright future of government school children. The State government has decided to start a free bus facility for students studying from LKG to PUC in KPSes across the State, giving major emphasis to strengthening government schools. This is an important thought by the government to empower the children of the poor academically and financially. The government has taken a bold step to empower the schools," he said.

However, Mr. Shivakumar did not clarify whether separate buses will be arranged for KPS students under this scheme or free bus passes will be given.

To provide quality education from class 1 to II PU under one roof by effectively utilising the available resources, the State government started 276 KPSes for the first time in 2017-18. Currently, 308 KPSes are functioning across the State, and teaching is being done from Pre-Primary (LKG) to II PUC. In addition, bilingual classes, including Kannada and English medium, have been started in all KPSes.

To provide quality education from class 1 to II PU under one roof by effectively utilising the available resources, the State government started 276 KPSes for the first time in 2017-18. FILE PHOTO

> This is an important thought by the government to empower the children of the poor academically and financially. The government has taken a bold step to empower the schools.
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> **D.K. SHIVAKUMAR**
> Deputy Chief Minister

There is a huge demand for these schools across the State, and there were instances of parents bringing recommendation letters from local MLAs and public representatives for enrolment in some schools in Bengaluru last year. The number of students in most KPSes has exceeded 2,000.

Earlier, the maximum enrolment limit for each class in KPS was 30 students. Given the high demand from students and parents, the maximum limit for pre-primary classes in KPS has been increased to 40 from the academic year of 2025-26, and the maximum limit for primary and high school classes has been increased to 50 students.

Even as the Deputy Chief Minister announced free bus rides for KPS students, Transport Minister Ramalinga Reddy said that his department had not received any official order or request from the government or the Department of School Education and Literacy (DSEL) in this regard. "This decision should be taken in the State Cabinet, then steps will be taken to implement the scheme," he said, adding that the government will have to bear the cost.

"Free bus travel is already available to all girls and women under the Shakti scheme. Therefore, this will also be applicable to girls of KPS schools. However, we do not have any information about the number of boys in these schools. All the boy students travel in State transport buses using school or college bus passes. We don't know the number of KPS students who have bus passes. Appropriate action will be taken for implementation after receiving a request from the DSEL," he said.

State govt. takes over Gali Anjaneya Swamy temple

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Gali Anjaneya Swamy temple at Byatarayanapura on Mysuru Road, which has been embroiled in controversy for some years, has been taken over by the State government. The temple has been declared a 'Notified Institution' under the Karnataka Hindu Religious Institutions and Charitable Endowment Act, 1997.

The State government decided to step in after a CCTV camera footage showing temple staff allegedly stealing money while counting the donations and offerings in the *hundi* (donation box) went viral on social media. K. MURALI KUMAR

A CCTV camera footage, which surfaced on social media, showed temple staff allegedly stealing money while counting the donations and offerings in the *hundi* (donation box).

Taking this seriously, the government came to the conclusion that the administration of the temple was not being carried out properly.

On October 1, 2024, the Commissioner of the Religious Endowments Department requested the Deputy Commissioner of Bengaluru Urban district to submit a report regarding the government taking over the temple under Sections 42 and 43 of the Karnataka Hindu Religious Institutions and Charitable Endowments Act, 1997.

A case was registered in the Additional Deputy Commissioner's (ADC) court. An inquiry was conducted, and the ADC submitted a report to the government.

No records maintained

"The temple earned lakhs of rupees annually, but trustees lacked coordination and had no savings, and the money was being misused. No records have been kept regarding the income and expenditure for the last 25 years. It has been found that the records were created after the Assistant Commissioner of the Muzrai Department issued a notice. The theft incident was widely circulated on social media, which has hurt the religious sentiments of the devotees," the ADC's report stated.

In this context, the Commissioner had recommended to the government that it was appropriate to take over the temple in the interest of the public and the devotees.

On July 8, the Muzrai Department issued an order declaring the temple a 'notified institution'.

BMTC adds 148 new non-AC e-buses to its fleet

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

As many as 148 new non-AC electric buses (e-buses) added to the Bangalore Metropolitan Transport Corporation's (BMTC) fleet, as Minister for Transport Ramalinga Reddy flagged off ten buses to mark the induction of the new vehicles on Friday at the Shantinagar TTMC.

The remaining buses will start operations in the next two days, a BMTC official told *The Hindu*. All buses are supplied by Tata Motors Ltd. (TML) Smart City Mobility Solutions Ltd., who will operate the buses under the Gross Cost Contract (GCC) model. The BMTC has struck a contract with the TML for 12 years at a rate of ₹41.01 a km for a bus, including electricity charges.

"The BMTC will provide conductors for the buses, and all other maintenance work will be taken up by the contracted company," the BMTC official said, adding that all the buses are inducted at Jayanagar (depot 4). "The operation of the e-buses is instrumental in preventing emissions of approximately 2.07 lakh kg of carbon dioxide (CO_2) into the atmosphere and contributes to saving nearly 77,000 litres of diesel daily, thereby bolstering the city's green transport initiatives," the BMTC said in a release.

Decomposed body found in a drain

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The police have recovered a highly decomposed body of a man from a stormwater drain of the Vrishabhavathi valley off Mysuru Road, near R.V. Engineering College, here on Thursday. The police said the man is supposed to be 30 to 40 years old, and the body has no external injuries.

Police have found a tattoo saying "S. Jaya" in Tamil on his arm. Further probe is on.

BMTC introduces 7 new express services

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC) on Tuesday introduced seven new express services, including two routes with AC buses.

Six of the services start from Kempegowda Bus Stand and ply to Bidadi, Anekal, Doddaballapur, Dobspet, and Hoskote. One of the bus services plies between Hebbal and Central Silk Board. Additionally, the BMTC has introduced two new tour packages: Divya Darshana 5 and Divya Darshana 6 on weekends and public holidays. Divya Darshana 5 buses will start at Central Silk Board around 9 a.m. and ply to Nageshwara Temple in Begur, Kote Thimmaraya Temple in Bettadasanapura, Madduramma Temple in Huskur, Varadarajaswamy Chowdeshwari in Narayanaghatta, among other places

Divya Darshana 6 bus will start at KBS at 9 a.m. and go to Circle Maramma Temple in Malleswaram, Kalika Durga Parameshwari in Vidyaranyapura, among other places. Both Divya Darshana 5 and 6 cost ₹500 for an adult and ₹375 for children.

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY
Tender Notice No.: 15-CWM-UBLS-2025-26
Dated 03.07.2025
The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Tenders for the following works:

Item of work	Approx. Value
Overhauling of Transmission System, Wheel & Axle Drive Gear Box Assembly, Pneumatic System, DG Set and Hydraulic Lifting Platform and other works of Tower Wagons 2025-26.	Rs. 4,59,36,421.23 (Incl. of GST)

Last date for submission of bids: **Upto 15:00 Hrs. on 25.07.2025**
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SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY
E-(IREPS) Tender Notice No: 20 UBL 2025-26
Dated: 04.07.2025
The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Tenders (IREPS) for the following works:

Sl.No.	Name of work	Approx. Value
1	**Hubballi Division:** Provision of Rest Room for RPF female / staff at Gadag, Belagavi, Vasco-da-gama, Vijayapura (BJP).	Rs. 44,35,421.00
2	**Hubballi Division:** Proposed Rehabilitation/Replacement of Br 189 at Km. 723/297 with RCC Box bridge in Londa-Miraj (LD-MRJ) Section in between Ugar Khurd (UGR) and Shedbal (SED) Station.	Rs. 1,01,55,486.00
3	**Hubballi Division:** **Londa-Miraj (LD-MRJ):** Protection work for the bridge and bank due to river flooding at bridge No. 86, 87, 88, 90, 91 and 34 between Km. 553/400 to 557/200 and 579/200 to 579/409.	Rs. 8,55,13,339.00
4	**Hubballi Division:** Proposal for Construction of Multi purpose community hall at willey ground at Hubballi.	Rs. 3,58,28,153.00

Last date for submission of bids: **Upto 11:00 Hrs. on 04.08.2025**
For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in
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Rail Wheel Plant/Bela
(Distt. - Saran), Bihar - 841221
E-Open Tender Notice No.:- S/RWP/E/ 2025-26/07 dated: 09.07.2025, Principal Chief Materials Manager/Rail Wheel Plant, Bela for and on behalf of the **President of India** invites **online "e-Open Tender"**, through Indian Railways E-Procurement Website **www.ireps.gov.in**, for supply of following Stores item at RWP/Bela. The closing time of all tenders is 14:00 hrs., **SN : 1, Tender No. :** 02255139, **Short Description of item :** Design, manufacturing and commissioning, **Quantity :** 02 set, 02 Nos, **Date of Tender Closing/Opening :** 07/08/2025 at 14:00 Hrs., 1. Website address, on which full tender details can be seen and downloaded from, is **www.ireps.gov.in**. 2. The prospective firms/bidders submitting bid are advised to remain in touch with the above website for updates including **Addendum/ Corrigendum/ Cancellation** with respect to the above tender. However, this information will also be invariably published in the all concerned newspapers.
For PCMM/RWP/Bela
RWP/CPRO/ADVT/2025-26/39

PUBLIC NOTICE
My client has entered into an agreement of sale to purchase Schedule Property from its owner Mr.M.B.GAJARAJ, S/o Late M.G.Balaram who represents that he has acquired the Schedule Property through a registered will dated 29/08/1996 executed by his mother late Mrs.Annie Ruby @Smt.Devasigamani.A.R.,
If any persons have any right, title, interest or objections to the sale the same shall be communicated to the undersigned within 7 days from today failing which my client shall get the sale deeds registered.
SCHEDULE PROPERTY
Residential house bearing No.8, situated at GOVINDA CHETTY COLONY, Tasker Town, Queens Road Cross, Bangalore Division No.59, New Ward No.78, E PID No.1501788970, Measuring East to West 24.6 Ft and North to South 35 Ft, Measuring 840 Sq. Ft, Bounded by East by : Quarter No.10, West by : Quarter No.6, North by : Conservancy Lane, South by : Road,
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AKHIL AHMED .P, Advocate
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Near Water Tank, BTM 1st Stage,
Bangalore-560 029. M - 9880354972

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE XI ADDL. CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE AT BANGALORE
Crl.Mis.No. 50341/2025
Between: **1. Sri. PREMACHANDRA.M**, S/o Late. Muddugangaiah, Aged about 37 years, R/at. No.205, 2nd Main Road, Next to CMR School, HRBR Layout, Bangalore-560 043. **2. Smt. LATHA M** W/o Dayashankar, Aged about 45 years, R/at. No. 314, Chikanna Layout, Opp. Sameema Shop, Hennur, Kalyananagar, Bangalore - 560043. **3. Smt. ROOPAVATHI .M** W/o Sanjeeva Murthy, Aged about 43 years, R/at. No.405, 3rd Cross, Gokula 1st Stage, 1st Phase, MSRIT, Bangalore-560 054. **4. Smt. SOWMYA** W/o Umashankar, Aged about 42-years, R/at. No.17, Chalukya Nagara, Near Acharya College, Andrahalli Main Road, Bangalore-560 091.
...PETITIONERS
:And:
The Commissioner of BBMP, Registrar of Births & Deaths, Bangalore East, Bangalore.
...RESPONDENT
PAPER PUBLICATION
Whereas, the petitioners have filed the above petition U/s. 13(3) of the birth and death acts seeking direction to the Commissioner of BBMP, Bangalore to register the death of the deceased is the mother of petitioner No.1 to 4 by name **KAMALA (KAMALAMMA) W/O LATE MUDDUGANGAIAH who died on 28-03-2013 at No.205, 3rd C Cross, HRBR Layout, 2nd Main, 3rd Block, Kalyananagar, Bangalore-560 043**.
If any person interested in the matter may appear before Hon'ble XI ACJM at Bangalore, either personally or through an advocate duly instructed on at 11.00 am., on 13.08.2025 to which date the case is posted for hearing.
Given under my hand and the seal of the court dated this 04th day of July 2025.
By order of the court
Sd/- Sheristedar
XI Addl. Chief Judicial Magistrate
Court Bengaluru City
Advocate for Petitioners
Sri UMESH T NAIK, Advocate,
No.20, 1st Floor, 1st Main, Azad Nagar, Chamarajpet, Bangalore-560 018.

Uttar Pradesh Medical Supplies Corporation Limited
उत्तर प्रदेश मेडिकल सप्लाईज कॉर्पोरेशन लिमिटेड
(A Govt. of Uttar Pradesh Undertaking)
Invitation for Comments and Suggestions on draft tender document for procurement of Consumables/Surgicals/Sutures and draft packing conditions for supply of Drugs to UPMSCL.
Comments and suggestions are hereby invited from stakeholders on the Draft Tender Document for the procurement of Consumables/Surgicals/ Sutures and the Draft Packing Conditions for the supply of Drugs, which incorporate proposed changes in line with prevailing policy directives.
The draft document is available on the official website of Uttar Pradesh Medical Supplies Corporation Ltd. (UPMSCL) at www.upmsc.in.
Stakeholders are requested to send their comments and suggestions to the email address **drugs@upmsc.in** by **31.07.2025**. While submitting suggestions/comments, please ensure that the relevant paragraph(s) of the draft are clearly referenced for context.
Managing Director
Department of Medical Health & Family Welfare, Uttar Pradesh

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY
E-Tender Notice No.: Y/E.29/2025-26/20
Dated: 02.07.2025
The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Tenders for the following works:

Item of work	Approx. Value
Additional High Mast at station yards over Mysuru (MYS) Division.	Rs. 1,29,15,926

Last date for submission of bids: **Upto 11:00 Hrs. on 23.07.2025**
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Canara Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking)
SPECIALISED ARM II Branch : SECOND FLOOR, SPENCER TOWERS,
Ph No. 948354411/9464534482, Email: cb6298@canarabank.com
Dated : 11.07.2025
To the Borrower/Guarantors/Mortgagor:
1. Mr. Mahesh Nanjungud S/O Chandrashekar
2.Mrs. Deepa Mahesh W/o Sri Mahesh Nanjungud
Both Are Residing At : 8A ,Swarga ,5th cross 5thMain ,Sri Krishna Nagar, JP Nagar 7th Phase ,Bangalore -560078
Both are also Residing at: No 248, 3rd Main ,BHCS Layout, Bangalore -560061
SUBJECT: Notice for exercising the right of redemption under Section 13 (8) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act").
The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Canara Bank, ARM Branch, **SPECIALISED ARM II branch** (hereinafter referred to as "the secured creditor"), appointed under the Act do hereby issue this notice, under Section 13(8) of the Act read with Rule 8(6) of the SARFAESI Rules, to you all as under:
As you all are aware that the secured creditor had issued the Demand Notices, under Section 13(2) of the Act, on **15.01.2025** (date of Demand Notice), to the borrower/Mortgagor **Mr. Mahesh Nanjungud& Mrs. Deepa Mahesh** , demanding to pay an amount of **51,19,729.07/-(Rupees Fifty One Lakhs Nineteen Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Nine and Seven Paise Only)** and interest there on with in 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notices. Since, the Borrowers / Firm, the mortgagors and the Guarantor (above mentioned names) having failed to repay the amount mentioned in the above said demand notices, the Authorized Officer under Section 13(4) of the Act had taken symbolic possession of the secured assets described in the Possession Notice dated **07.07.2025.** Further, the said symbolic possession notice was duly published in The **Hindu and Udayakala -Bengaluru** in local language and English Newspaper on **10.07.2025**
To comply with the provision of SARFAESI Act, 2002 read with Rule 8(6) of SARFAESI Rules, you all are hereby given a last and final opportunity to redeem and reclaim the secured assets, which are in possession of the secured creditor, within 30 days from the receipt of this notice, by discharging the liability of **47,96,429.07/-(Rupees Forty Seven Lakhs Ninety Six Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Nine And Paise Seven Only)** as on **07.07.2025,** plus subsequent interest, costs and expenses in full, failing which the sale notice under the Act will be published in the newspaper specifying one of the following modes mentioned below, to sell the secured assets:
I. By obtaining quotations from the persons dealing with similar secured assets or otherwise interested in buying assets; or
ii. By inviting tenders from the public; or
iii. By holding public auction including through e-auction mode; or
iv. By private treaty.
As per Section 13(8) of the Act, you are entitled to redeem the secured Assets at any time before the date of publication of sale notice in Newspapers, failing which your Right to redeem the mortgaged property as per Section 13(8) of the Act shall stand extinguished.
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Date : 11.07.2025
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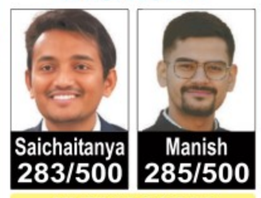
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CHANGE OF NAME

I, MANJUNATHA Krishnoji Rao S/o Krishnoji Rao, R/at #22, Raghavendra Nilaya, 7th Cross, Vignan Nagar, Opp: Jain Heights, Bengaluru-560075 have changed my name to Manjunath Krishnoji Rao vide affidavit dated 11.07.2025 sworn before Notary S.Vijayakumar, Bengaluru.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Mrs. Molly Ajith Moolayil,W/o Mr. Shinod Shivram, residing at 886 Brass Winds Place Mississauga, ON L5W1T2, Canada, hereby notify the general public that she has lost the original Sale Deed BNG(U)-BLR(S)/2399/1999-2000, dated 08.07.1999, Katha Certificate pertaining to property bearing old Plot No,5, derived out of Survey No.57/1, now Municipal No.14, situated at II Cross, Gundappa Gowda Road, Corporation Ward No.68, Ejipura, Bengaluru City, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet, land area 2400 square Feet. The aforesaid documents were in advertently lost on 20.09.2024 during her course of handling and movement of papers when she was at Bengaluru. If anybody is in possession or having knowledge about the where abouts of the said documents the same may kindly be returned or intimated to me. She has lodged a police complaint vide 1689656 before the Viveknagar Police Station.
MISHA THOMAS, ADVOCATE,
#21/A, 3RD FLOOR,
80 FT ROAD,
KORAMANGALA 1ST BLOCK,
BANGALORE-560035,
Ph.No.93537 43971
Bengaluru, 10.07.2025

PERSONAL

CHANGE OF NAME

I, CHAITANYA Kumar Reddy Alla Rajashekara Reddy, s/o Alla Rajashekara Reddy, No–132, 2nd Cross, 4th Main, Hal 3rd Stage, New Tippasandra, Blr–560075. Have Changed My Name to Chaitanya Kumar Reddy. Vide Affdavit on 09/07/2025.

LEGAL NOTICE

Before the Motor Accident Claims Tribunal, Kalpetta, Wayanad
IA 06/2025
OP (MV) No.490/2023
Radhamani : *Petitioner/Petitioner*
Amal.T.R. & Others : *Respondents/ Respondents*
Sandra Mariya Travasso,
aged not know, D/o.Not known,
H No.253, Sirvoi, Pimpalamola,
Quepem Goa, South Goa, Quepem, Goa-403705. (Insured of KL84A7108 Mahindra Thar Jeep)
: *Supple. Respondent No.3*
Substituted Service of notice to the supple. Respondent No.3 in the above case has been ordered and the case is posted to 21.07.2025. Take notice that in default of your appearance on the day before the tribunal, the petition will be heard and determined in your absence.
(Sd/-) **Ranjith K S**,
Advocate for petitioner

PERSONAL

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SALEEMA, W/o Younus Ali, R/at #1347, A Block, Subash Nagar, Bommanahalli Post, Bangalore-560068 have changed my name to Saleema Jan vide affidavit dt: 10.07.2025 sworn before Notary N.Narayana Swamy, B'lore

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given by my client Mrs. SHILPASHREE S,
Wife of Mr. Vinay M. N, to the general public. That she has negotiated with Mr. PRAKASH N., Son of Mr. Narayanappa V., the sole and absolute owner of the all that piece and parcel of the immovable residential property bearing portion of Gramatana Khata No.14, presently bearing Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike E-Aasthi Khata Property New PID No.4582786958, Property No.14/15, Kowdenahalli Village @ Ramamurthy Nagar, (Yerraiahanapalya), Krishnarajapuram CMC Limits, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West 69 feet, North to South 28 feet which is morefully described in the "Schedule Property". Further, if any individual or entity who has any right, title or objection is hereby notified to come forward or claim their rights by producing valid document or if any objections to be filed within 10 days from the date of Publication of this Notice. Hence this Publication. Non filing of such objection is considered as waver of rights by the objectors and have no right to claim subsequently. SCHEDULE PROPERTY ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF the immovable residential property bearing portion of Gramatana Khata No.14, presently bearing Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike E-Aasthi Khata Property New PID No.4582786958, Property No.14/15, Kowdenahalli Village @ Ramamurthy Nagar, (Yerraiahanapalya), Krishnarajapuram CMC Limits, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West 69 feet, North to South 28 feet and bounded on: East by : Road; West by : Mr. Munivenkatappa's Property; North by : Mr. Doddakuntappa's Property; South by : Mr. N. Devaraj's Property; Sd/- Ashvik Law Associates, Advocates and Solicitors, Office at No.24, First Floor, Sri Rama Mandir Road, Near to Lalbagh Metro Station, Basavanagudi, Bangalore - 560 004.

TENDERS

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Notice for e- Tender
Tender No. M/OPS/F1
Bids are invited online under Two Cover system for **Tender for Hiring of 1No. 60 Ton Bollard Pull Ocean Going Tug and utilized as Emergency Towing Vessel for a period of 5years and extendable by another 2years in Chennai Port.**
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GETTY IMAGES

Can Sreeshankar's return shake Indian long jump out of its slumber?

I feel I have the jumps... physically, I feel I'm better than ever before. Only thing, I haven't done this in a while

M. SREESHANKAR

Back in 2023, Jeswin Aldrin and Sreeshankar were the two best jumpers in the world for a period, with leaps of 8.42m and 8.41m. But the latter's injury-enforced absence since April 2024 has coincided with a fallow spell during which just one Indian has crossed the 8m mark

Stan Rayan

When M. Sreeshankar suffered a patellar tendon rupture in April last year, many feared that it would finish his sparkling long jump career. Even the doctors in the country were not optimistic.

"Almost every doctor in India, probably the best doctors, said, 'We'll make you in such a way that you'll walk again'. The injury was that bad. My tendon got cut completely and a part of a bone was also chipped off," the Asian Games silver medallist told *The Hindu*.

On the mend

Sreeshankar flew to Doha for knee surgery at the Aspetar hospital, where some of the world's best athletes, including Brazilian footballers, have been treated.

"For me, getting back to two feet was a big thing. Unless you're strong enough, you cannot come out from this sort of injury. It was just work, work and work. Every day, my focus was getting better by 1%."

The injury just a few months before the 2024 Paris Olympics shattered him.

"Imagine, we were aiming for an Olympic medal, suddenly this happens and my career was almost done. It was a big shock for me. But I knew I'd come back. You remember 2018 when I had appendicitis and was in a critical condition just before the Commonwealth Games?

"I thought if I get the surgery okay, then the comeback would be my thing. I was pretty confident about that."

It's almost two years since I did 8m, so I'm looking forward to jumping far. I can jump 8m again, I know it's there

JESWIN ALDRIN

Sreeshankar is now back and raring to go. After a 15-month break, the 26-year-old returns to competition at the Indian Open in Pune on Saturday (July 12), as he attempts to book a ticket for September's World Championships in Tokyo through automatic qualification (8.27m, deadline Aug. 24) or through the World rankings route.

The plan is to compete in Portugal on July 19, in Almaty (Kazakhstan), in the Indian Open World Athletics Continental Tour event (Bhubaneswar, August 10) and in the Inter-State Nationals in Chennai (from Aug. 20).

One hopes his return wakes the event up in the country. For, Indian long jump appears to have gone into a deep slumber in Sreeshankar's absence.

For a period in 2023, Jeswin Aldrin led the world with his 8.42m, having broken Sreeshankar's National record at the Indian Open Jumps Competition at his then JSW training base at Ballari in March. Three months later, Sreeshankar closed in with an 8.41m at the Bhubaneswar Inter-State Nationals. At one point, Jeswin and Sreeshankar were No. 1 and 2 in World Athletics' long jump list, eventually finishing the year as No. 3 and 4.

Imagine Indians being on top of the world in a glamorous event like the long jump which was dominated by legends Jesse Owens, Bob Beamon, Mike Powell and Carl Lewis in the past! During that phase in 2023, it looked as if Sreeshankar had the potential to do what Neeraj Chopra was doing in the javelin throw. Many young athletes were inspired by that dream run.

JESWIN ALDRIN

Apart from winning silver at the Hangzhou Asian Games (8.19m) and the Bangkok Asian Championships (8.37), Sreeshankar finished in the top-three in a Diamond League meet (8.09) – only the third Indian then, after discus thrower Vikas Gowda and Neeraj, to achieve that distinction – and also won gold in meets in Greece and the USA.

Exciting rivalry

Jeswin, whose exciting rivalry with Sreeshankar raised the profile of the sport at home, also had a fantastic 2023. He entered the Budapest Worlds final with 8m and took gold in a Swiss meet (8.22) although he could finish only eighth in the Asian Games (7.76) that year.

Four Indians crossed 8m in international or national competitions in 2023. If one were to add P. David and V.K. Elakkiyadasan, who went past that landmark in the Tamil Nadu State Championships, six accomplished the feat that season.

But with Sreeshankar's injury-break, the golden days abruptly came to a halt. Jeswin has not touched 8m since then. Only one Indian – Aditya Kumar (8.01, Indian GP, Bengaluru) – crossed 8m in 2024; nobody has this year.

Indian long jump hit another low this year. The Athletics Federation of India did not send a single jumper to the Asian Championships because none achieved the AFI's qualification standard (8.07m).

Jeswin (7.83m) has slipped to seventh on the Indian list this year and could only manage a disappointing 7.11m in a foul-ridden series in Italy earlier this week although it fetched him the second spot. David is the season leader with 7.94. But Sreeshankar, who is supported by JSW, believes his return could revive the sport.

"When I come back, Jeswin will also be back and jumping good...automatically, the event's standard will go up," said Sreeshankar, who is coached by his father S. Murali, a former triple jump international.

Jeswin, now in Europe for competitions, also believes he will be back to his 8m days soon. "My last couple of 8m jumps were abroad. It's almost two years since I did 8m, so I'm looking forward to jumping far. I can jump 8m again, I know it's there," said the 23-year-old.

Jeswin, now with the Reliance Foundation, trained for a few months in the USA under coach Rana Reider – who has coached double Olympic champion triple jumper Christian Taylor – and feels he has gained much from the experience.

"My speed on the runway has improved a lot, my strength too. I know I'm capable of jumping very far," said Jeswin. "I'm focusing on the World University Games [in Germany later this month] and the Worlds. I'm confident of doing the big jumps later this year."

Sreeshankar believes an Indian will jump 8m this year. "I hope there will be more because now I'm training in Thiruvananthapuram and we already have two 7.90m jumpers, Shahnavaz and Sunny Kumar, there," he said. "From 7.90 to 8m is not a big thing. I wish more jumpers cross 8m this season. It's even more important with the Asian Games coming up next year."

Eight over 8

Will there be a nice group jumping over 8m next year, perhaps a repeat of 2023? "100%. Next year, I feel we'll have eight jumpers over 8m," said Sreeshankar.

When he first tried the long jump after the surgery, with a cautious three-step approach in late-February, he managed 3m. Now – after working with South African strength-and-conditioning coach Dr. Wayne Lombard, who had helped the Indian hockey team at the Olympics – Sreeshankar feels fit and fine.

"I feel I have the jumps... physically, I feel I'm better than ever before. Only thing, I haven't done this in a while," said Sreeshankar. "It's just that I have to be patient, kickstart the season, go with the flow and everything will fall in place."

GAME THEORY

Mulder and the highest Test scores

Wiaan Mulder's unbeaten 367 against Zimbabwe saw him enter the list of batters with the highest Test scores. The South African's second-highest score is 147, making it a difference of 220 between his two biggest innings. In this list, Brian Lara, who broke the record twice, has the smallest difference while Matthew Hayden, who briefly held the record, has a large difference of 177. Mulder also made the list of batters with the most fours in an innings, a table topped by former England opener John Edrich

BRIAN LARA

JOHN EDRICH

WIAAN MULDER

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HIGHEST AND SECOND-HIGHEST SCORE

Player	Highest score	Second-highest score	Difference
Brian Lara	400*	375	25
Matthew Hayden	380	203	177
Mahela Jayawardene	374	275	99
Wiaan Mulder	367*	147	220
Garfield Sobers	365*	226	139
Len Hutton	364	206	158
Sanath Jayasuriya	340	253	87
Hanif Mohammad	337	203*	134
Wally Hammond	336*	251	85
David Warner	335	253	82

MOST 4s IN AN INNINGS

Player	Score	4s	Runs in 4s
John Edrich	310*	52	208
Wiaan Mulder	367*	49	196
Virender Sehwag	254	47	188
Don Bradman	334	46	184
Brian Lara	375	45	180
V.V.S. Laxman	281	44	176
Don Bradman	304	43	172
Graeme Pollock	274	43	172
Graham Gooch	333	43	172
Brian Lara	400*	43	172
Mahela Jayawardene	374	43	172
Ross Taylor	290	43	172

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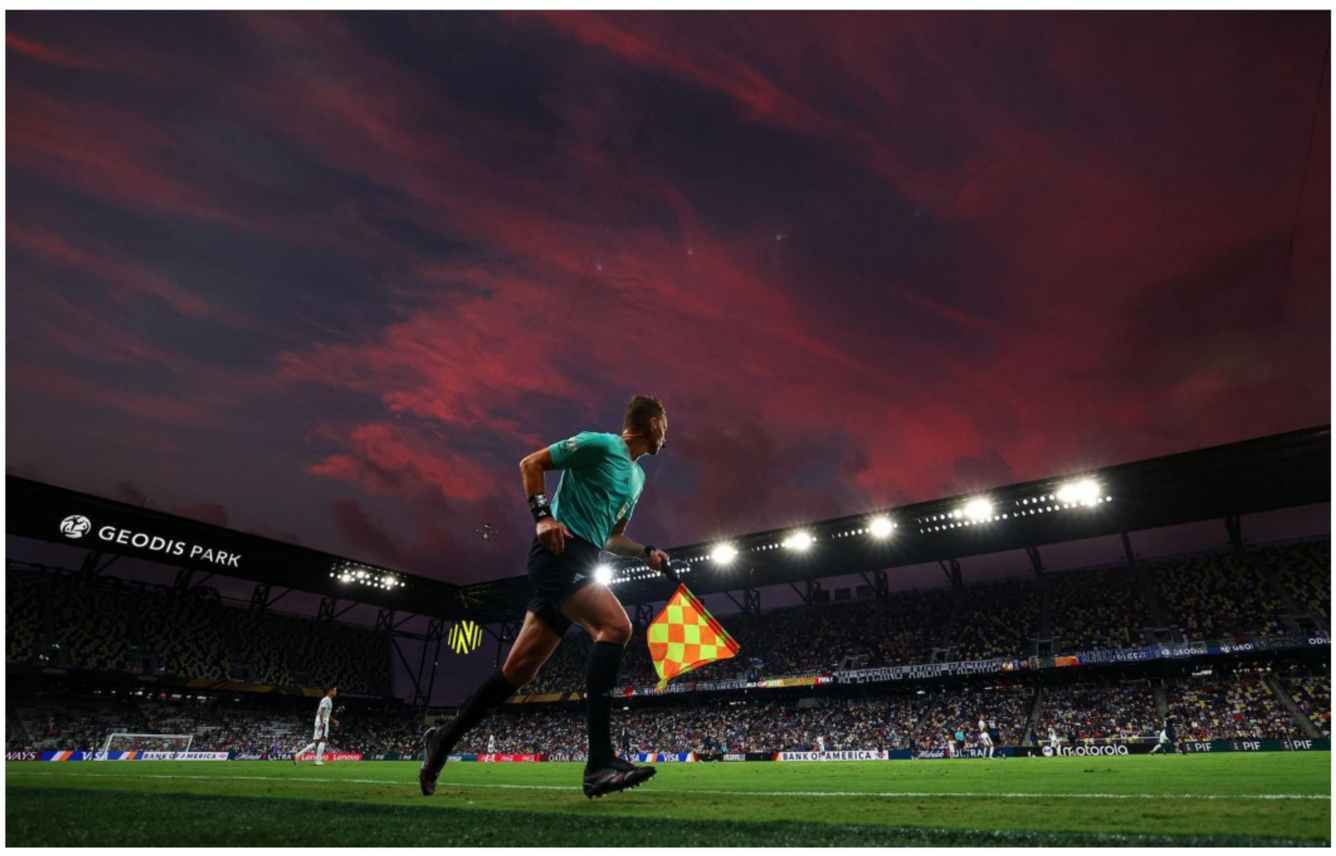

GETTY IMAGES

On the line

The assistant referee's job isn't always as picture-perfect as this photograph from the ongoing Club World Cup suggests, but it is vital to the conduct of any football match.

At most levels, two assistant referees — typically positioned on opposite touchlines in different halves of the pitch — advise the referee on a range of actions during the game.

The main duties of assistant referees include judging when the ball has left the field of play (and which team receives the throw-in) and when an offside offence has occurred.

They also act as an additional set of official eyes, monitoring whether any infringement of the Laws has occurred out of the referee's view. The final decision on the facts of the situation, however, rests with the referee.

Offside calls can prove defining in matches — they are also among the most challenging judgments to make, given the split-second timing involved and the number of things the assistant referee must observe.

Fortunately for assistant referees, the introduction of video assistance (VAR) has provided a safety net.

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Department of Mines & Geology
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Expression of Interest
Notice No.-01/2025-26 for Date Extends
Corrigendum

Expression of Interest (EOI) Notice no. 01/2025-26 was published on 25.06.2025 in different News Papers vide PR. No.- 355830 Mines and Geology (25-26) D. Last date of submission of EOI was 17.07.2025 (up to 3.00 P.M.). During pre-bid meeting held on dated-10.07.2025, participants have requested for the time extension for bid submission of the above-said EOI. Hence, on request of the participants, the last date of submission of EOI is extended till dated 28.07.2025 up to 3.00 P.M and the Bid will be opened on 06.08.2025 at 3.30 P.M. The remaining Terms & Conditions of the above-mentioned EOI will remain the same.

Sd/-
(Manoj Kumar)
Director, Geology

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E-AUCTION Sale of Properties on 31.07.2025
Last date of EMD : 30.07.2025

ARM – 2 Branch, 2nd Floor, No. 86, Spencers Tower, M.g. Road, Bangalore – 560001. Ph No. : 080 25310181. E-Mail – cb6298@canarabank.com

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described imovable propeties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical/Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM Branch-2,** Bengaluru of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **31.07.2025 at 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM,** through E-Auction under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

For details with regard to E-Auction & digital signature please contact the service provider **M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited, Helpdesk Number : 8291220220, Website: https://baanknet.com/**

The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of E-Wallet of **M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **30.07.2025 .**

(Rs. in lacs)

Sl.No.	Name and address of the Borrower / Guarantor / Mortgagor	Description of the immovable assets	Total Dues Possession Type	a. Reserve Price b. EMD c. Incremental Bid
1.	1.**M/s Sai Akshaya Electrical** No 123, Hennur Main Road, Kacharakanahalli St Thomas Road Post, Bengaluru-560084 **2.Mr.Anand Raj** No 176,Gullamma Road, Kacharakanahalli, Bengaluru-560084	**Property No.1 :** All that piece and parcel of property comprising one apartment unit ,i.e., Flat bearing No A-206,in converted land bearing Sy no.108/2,Katha No.522/108/2, measuring a super built-up area of 1350 Sq.ft. situated in the First floor,in 'A' Block,along with one Covered Car Parking space in the Basement/Surface/Stilt floor and 360 Sq.ft. of undivided share,rights,title and interest in the Schedule "A" Property, in the Apartment known as situated at Apartment building known as "Garden Residency", Kanchanayakana-halli,Jigani Hobali, Anekal taluk and bounded on: **East by:** Land in Sy No. 108/2; **West by:** Road; **North by:** Road and **South :** Tank Bed.	Rs. 2,89,60,161.75₹ as on 09.07.2025 Plus further interest and cost thereon	a) ₹ 33.39/- b) ₹ 3,33,900/- c) ₹ 50,000/-
		Property No.2 : All that piece and parcel of property comprising one apartment unit ,i.e., Flat bearing No A-401,in converted land bearing Sy no.108/2,Katha No.522/108/2, measuring a super built-up area of 1260 Sq.ft. situated in the Third floor,in 'A' Block,along with one Covered Car Parking space in the Basement/Surface/Stilt floor and 270 Sq.ft. of undivided share,rights,title and interest in the Schedule "A" Property, in the Apartment known as situated at Apartment building known as "Garden Residency", Kanchanayakana-halli,Jigani Hobali, Anekal taluk and bounded on: **East by:** Land in Sy No. 108/2; **West by:** Road; **North by:** Road and **South :** Tank Bed.		a) ₹ 33.55/- b) ₹ 3,35,500/- c) ₹ 50,000/-
		Property No.3 : All that piece and parcel of property comprising one apartment unit ,i.e., Flat bearing No C-404,in converted land bearing Sy no.108/2,Katha No.522/108/2, measuring a super built-up area of 1089 Sq.ft. situated in the Third floor,in 'C' Block,along with one Covered Car Parking space in the Basement/Surface/Stilt floor and 270 Sq.ft. of undivided share,rights,title and interest in the Schedule "A" Property, in the Apartment known as situated at Apartment building known as "Garden Residency", Kanchanayakana-halli,Jigani Hobali, Anekal taluk and bounded on: **East by:** Lift Area; **West by:** Residential Apartment privately numbered as C-405 in the third floor; **North by:** Common Corridor and **South :** Area open to sky of the apartment building.		a) ₹ 21.16/- b) ₹ 2,11,600/- c) ₹ 50,000/-

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.
Fordetailedtermsandconditionsofthesale, please refer to the link provided in https://www.canarabank.com/english/announcements/sale-notice/karnataka/ provided on the Secured Creditors' Website i.e www.canarabank.com. or may contact Chief Manager, ARM Branch II Bangalore, Canara Bank, Ph. No.9113092975, 8921102717, 9201460154, 9483544116, 8709675503 and 080-25310181 during office hours on any working day.

Place: Bangalore
Date : 11.07.2025

Sd/- Authorized Officer, Canara Bank

Uttar Pradesh Medical Supplies Corporation Limited
(A Govt. of Uttar Pradesh Undertaking)
GSTIN: 09AACCU2250P1ZZ CIN: U85310UP2018SGC102425

Tender Notice Invitation Date: 10-07-2025

Uttar Pradesh Medical Supplies Corporation Limited, Lucknow invites tenders on GeM Portal from eligible and qualified Manufacturer/Importer/Authorized Agent for supply of **following Medical Equipments.** The schedules of Tendering activities are as here under:

Sr. No.	Tender Ref. No. & Date	Items Name	Date & Time of Pre-Bid Meeting	Last Date & Submission of Online Bids	Date & Time of Opening of Technical Bids
1	GEM/2025/B/6438056 Dated: 10-07-2025	500 mA X-Ray Machine	23/07/2025 at 4:00 PM in Conference Hall of UPMSCL, Lucknow.	31/07/2025 upto 18:00 PM	31/07/2025 at 18:30 PM
2	GEM/2025/B/6438648 Dated: 10-07-2025	Portable Ultrasound Machine	23/07/2025 at 4:00 PM in Conference Hall of UPMSCL, Lucknow.	31/07/2025 upto 18:00 PM	31/07/2025 at 18:30 PM
3	GEM/2025/B/6438760 Dated: 10-07-2025	Ultrasound Machine	23/07/2025 at 4:00 PM in Conference Hall of UPMSCL, Lucknow.	31/07/2025 upto 18:00 PM	31/07/2025 at 18:30 PM
4	GEM/2025/B/6438941 Dated: 10-07-2025	General Operating Table	25/07/2025 at 4:00 PM in Conference Hall of UPMSCL, Lucknow.	31/07/2025 upto 18:00 PM	31/07/2025 at 18:30 PM
5	GEM/2025/B/6439072 Dated: 10-07-2025	Ceiling OT Light	25/07/2025 at 4:00 PM in Conference Hall of UPMSCL, Lucknow.	31/07/2025 upto 18:00 PM	31/07/2025 at 18:30 PM

The details of tender notice are given on GeM Portal & UPMSCL website www.upmsc.in. Kindly check GeM Portal & UPMSCL website for any detail & updates.

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BRIEF E-TENDER NOTICE

On behalf of President of India, **Sealed Item rate E-Tender** is invited online from Contractors of appropriate class for the following work in NIT by **Group Head,** ISTRAC, ISRO, Peenya, Bengaluru-58 (Ph:080-2809 4541, 2809 4178).

Name of work	**Providing Air-Conditioning for Radar Test bed facility for MUST at Meghdooth Building, SCC, ISTRAC, Bengaluru.**
E-Tender Notice	**ISTRAC/CMG/MAINT/A.C/E-Tender-39/ 2025-2026, Dated: 11.07.2025**
Estimated Cost put to tender	**Rs. 11.00 Lakhs**
Tender Document Details	**E-Tenders**
Period of Completion in months reckoned from the 15th day of date of issue of work order	**Two (02) months**
Period during which the tender document can be downloaded	**From 12.07.2025 to 26.07.2025 till 16.00 hrs.**
Bid Clarification	**From 13.07.2025 to 27.07.2025 till 16.00 hrs.**
Last date & time for reply to Bid Clarifications	**28.07.2025 up to 16.00 Hrs.**
Last date and time for receipt of tenders	**29.07.2025 up to 16.00 Hrs.**
Due date and time of opening of tenders.	**30.07.2025 after 11.00 Hrs.**
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	**Rs. 22,000/-**

Interested tenderers may please refer **Detailed Notice Inviting Tender (NIT)** for eligibility criteria and other details from website **www.isro.gov.in** and download the tender documents from **www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO**

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Tender Notification Call- 2

Following tender is called under 2023-24 SBM 2.0 through e-procurement. Only technically qualified suppliers can participate. Last date for Participation is **25.07.2025 at 4.30 pm.** Additional information may be got from health section of this office.

Particulars : Procurement of Horizontal baler-75 MT Capacity at MRF plant (DMA/2023-24/IND1752). Estimate amount (Rs. in lakhs) **: 57.69.** EMD Amount Rs.: **1,44,225/-.** Grant : **SBM 2.0**

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CMC, Ramanagara

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No. SWR/RRC/564/Act Apprentice/2025-26 **Date: 07.07.2025**

INDICATIVE ADVERTISEMENT FOR

Engagement of Apprentice under the Apprentices Act, 1961 on South Western Railway, Hubballi for the year 2025-2026

(Notification No: SWR/RRC/Act. Appr./01/2025)

A centralised notification will be open from 14.07.2025 inviting "ONLINE" applications from interested candidates for engagement of Act Apprentices for imparting training of 904 slots under the Apprentices Act, 1961 in the designated Trades at Divisions / Workshops / Units in the jurisdiction of South Western Railway.

The candidate must have passed 10th class examination or its equivalent (under 10+2 examination system) with minimum 50% marks, in aggregate, from recognised Board and also possess National Trade Certificate in the notified Trade issued by the National Council for Vocational Training or Provisional Certificate issued by National Council for Vocational Training / State Council for Vocational Training (NCVT / SCVT). The other eligibility conditions are detailed in the notification.

Candidates may visit Railway Recruitment Cell, Hubballi website **www.rrchubli.in** for detailed instructions and filling up of "ONLINE" application.

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No.:EE/HBL/TEND/02/2025-26 **Date:11.07.2025**

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through GOK KPP Portal only) **(KW-3 / KW-4)**

The Executive Engineer, Hebbala Division, invites the item rate tenders from eligible contractors for various construction works detailed in the table below.

Reserved for Others Category

Sl. No.	Ward No.	Est. Cost (Rs. in lakhs)	EMD (in Rs.) (Rs.1.00 lakh through E-payment, remaining amount through BG/FDR should be submitted before opening of technical bid.	No. of Works
Improvements and Comprehensive Developments of Roads & Drains in following wards and surrounding areas.				
1	R.T. Nagar 1st Block, 2nd Block, Dinnur Main Road Surrounding Areas in **68 - J.C. Nagar**	300.00	Rs. 4,50,000/-	1
Improvements and Comprehensive Developments of Roads & Drains, footpaths, laying of CC Roads and various Developmental works in following wards and surrounding areas.				
2	**63- Hebbala** (Block-03, Block-35, Block-28-02, Block-57, Block-56)	100.00 each	Rs. 2,00,000/- each	9
Reserved for SC Category				
Improvements and Comprehensive Developments of Roads & Drains in following wards and surrounding areas.				
3	**63- Hebbala** (Chola nayakanahalli Gramattana (Block-56), SSA Main Road & Cross Roads	100.00 each	Rs. 1,00,000/- each	2
Reserved for ST Category				
Improvements and Comprehensive Developments of Roads & Drains in following wards and surrounding areas.				
4	**63- Hebbala** (A Block surrounding areas) (Block-28-02)	100.00	Rs. 1,00,000/-	1
Reserved for CAT-II(A)				
Improvements and Comprehensive Developments of Roads & Drains in following wards and surrounding areas.				
5	**63- Hebbala** (Papanna hut, Bayamma layout & Kunthi GramaA Block	100.00 each	Rs. 1,00,000/- each	3

1) Tender documents may be downloaded from KPP portal **from 16.07.2025 onwards. 2)** Pre-bid meeting : **24.07.2025 at 15.00 Hrs. 3)** Last date for uploading of filled proposals: **30.07.2025 upto 16.00 Hrs. 4)** Date of opening of financial bids: **31.07.2025 after 16.30 Hrs.** Further details may be obtained from the above office & also from website: **https://kppp. karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Hebbala Division.

AXIS BANK
PUBLIC NOTICE FOR AUCTION
Public Notice for – E-Auction of pledged assets being Gold Ornaments

The Borrowers, in specific and the public in general are hereby notified that public auction of the gold ornaments pledge in the below accounts is proposed to be conducted by the Axis Bank at the below mentioned Branch.

The below mentioned Borrowers has availed the credit facility from the **Axis Bank Limited** against the pledge of gold ornaments("Gold Loan Facility") in favour of the Bank towards the security. The Demand notices were issued to the Borrowers/Guarantors calling up the Borrowers/Guarantors to pay their outstanding amount towards the Gold loan facility availed. As the Borrowers/Guarantors have failed to repay the outstanding loan amount, the bank is constrained to invoke the pledge and proposed to conduct an e-auction sale of pledged gold ornaments more particularly described in schedule of property hereunder on **22.07.2025 at 12:30 PM to 3:30 PM on "As In Where Is", "As Is What Is", "Whatever There Is" and "No Recourse Basis".**

Details of Borrowers and outstanding amount

Branch Name	Loan A/c No.	Customer Name	Amount Outstanding	Date of Demand Notice	Gross Weight	Net Weight
Bangarapet [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx405244	Sanjay T A	2163017.5	16-Jun-25	370.800	366.300
Bangarapet [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx402148	Sandeep A	1097794	16-Jun-25	187.900	185.800
Bangarapet [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx399437	Sandeep A	1086118	16-Jun-25	182.500	182.100
Bangarapet [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx404416	Sandeep A	1040120.39	16-Jun-25	178.200	176.100
Bangarapet [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx594276	Jagadish Reddy A	534666	16-Jun-25	99.500	90.500
Basaveshwar [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx621174	Srinath G R	439640	16-May-25	86.900	85.700
Belandur [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx557497	Somashekar M	163720	03-Apr-25	32.800	32.200
Bhattarahalli [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx927579	Rajwinder Kaur	99000	11-03-2025	19.800	19.600
Bidadi,[Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx243813	Ambarish	219320	16-Jun-25	41.100	37.900
Chamarajpet, [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx841440	-Manjunatha	518060	16-May-25	108.000	106.400
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Electronic City, [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx542826	Dileep Kumar Ravi	133561	16-May-25	29.100	27.700
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Hulimavu [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx469015	G Vijayagopal	154736.2	16-Jun-25	37.980	35.880
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Peenya, [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx164435	Rafiulla R	2382236.8	05-Jun-25	424.200	417.300
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Peenya, [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx871638	Paramesh H C	296292	16-May-25	55.700	55.200
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Prashanth Nagar [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx217490	Lohitha M V	287347	16-Jun-25	51.100	50.900
R T Nagar, [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx334867	Beeresha B	1268060	16-Jun-25	247.400	229.000
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Rajajinagar, [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx615091	Jaideep Y Reddy	540858	24-Mar-25	113.200	105.000
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Sarjapur Road [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx886449	Hemanth H K	159572	16-Jun-25	29.500	29.000
Sarjapur Road [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx518554	Arun Kumar K R	40788.1	16-May-25	8.300	8.200
Shanthinagar, [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx029077	Bharath O M	37099	08-May-24	9.800	9.700
Tiptur [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx837971	Nandish B	274343.5	16-Jun-25	52.900	52.300
Tiptur [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx607152	Yaseen Khan	38564	16-Jun-25	8.100	8.100
Tumkur [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx599268	Harish Kumar C	376058	16-Jun-25	72.200	66.600
Vidyaranyapura, [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx248611	-Sudarshan S N	661600	10-Jun-25	145.800	139.100
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Whitefield Main [Kt]	xxxxxxxxxxx786491	Nagaveni N	83304	11-03-2025	21.700	17.200
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Jayadeva's PCAD registry shows 24% of patients aged below 40 are drivers

Institute's director points out that auto and cab drivers are emerging as a highly vulnerable group for cardiovascular diseases and this alarming trend is attributed to a combination of occupational stress and lifestyle risk factors

Afshan Yasmeen
BENGALURU

The vulnerability of autorickshaw and cab drivers to cardiovascular diseases is not a new trend observed in the sudden heart attack deaths sample in Hassan district, say doctors.

Director of State-run Sri Jaydeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research K.S. Ravindranath, who headed the expert committee that investigated the perceived surge in sudden heart attack deaths in Hassan district, said it was not surprising to find six (25%) of the 24 deceased to be auto and cab drivers in the sample and it had been flagged in earlier studies too.

Dr. Ravindranath pointed out that data from the Premature Coronary Artery Disease (PCAD) registry maintained at Jayadeva since 2017 shows that 24.25% (975) of 4,020 young heart attack patients (aged below 40) screened so far are drivers with multiple risk factors.

While 72.9% of these 975 drivers are smokers, 7.10% have diabetes, 8.3% have hypertension, 10.5% have obesity and 13.7% have a family history of cardiovascular diseases, data shows.

Health Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao says health screenings for autorickshaw and cab drivers will be taken up. FILE PHOTO

Dr. Ravindranath pointed out that autorickshaw and cab drivers are emerging as a highly vulnerable group for cardiovascular diseases, attributed the alarming trend to a combination of occupational stress and lifestyle risk factors.

"While prolonged exposure to air and noise pollution and driving through traffic gridlocks is itself stressful, long working hours and prolonged sitting, irregular food habits, often reliant on roadside, processed foods, erratic sleeping pattern and high rates of smoking and alcohol use are adding to the problem," Dr. Ravindranath told *The Hindu* on Friday.

Among bus drivers

Dr. Ravindranath said similar trends were observed among drivers at Bangalore Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC) and Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC), who are undergoing screening at the institute in batches since 2022.

An analysis of 7,635 employees, majority of whom are drivers aged 45 to 60 years, evaluated at the institute since August 10, 2022, has revealed that over 40% of them were vulnerable to cardiovascular diseases. Besides, around 4% of them had an established heart disease, the doctor said.

Our data shows that 27% of the drivers screened had diabetes, 25% hypertension, 62% obesity and around 1% had a family history. While 22% were smokers, 25% consumed alcohol," he said.

Similarly, around 10,000 KSRTC employees have been screened at the institute in the last three years.

"Of these, about 50% are drivers, and the percentage of risk factors is almost the same as BMTC drivers. However, smoking habits are comparatively less common among KSRTC drivers compared to BMTC drivers, as the former drive long-distance trips," Dr. Ravindranath said.

High risk

Former Jayadeva director and Bengaluru Rural MP C.N. Manjunath, during whose tenure BMTC had signed an agreement with the cardiac institute for screening its employees, said that with nearly 40% of them having diabetes, high blood pressure, and obesity, the risk of them developing cardiovascular diseases in the future is high.

"Mandatory periodic and annual health checks are essential for these employees to ensure early intervention. Proper and early risk factor and lifestyle management is the key to prevent cardiovascular problems. Most of the employees had not gotten themselves tested before, and were surprised by the diagnosis of diabetes and high blood pressure. Due to the nature of their work, their stress levels are high. They have no time to exercise, and their eating habits are erratic due to continuous driving, overwork, and night duties. Most of all, their exposure to pollution throughout their work (both from the engine and atmosphere) is very risky," he explained.

Need for screening

Health Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao said health screenings for auto and cab drivers will be taken up.

"We will discuss this alarming trend with the drivers' association and start screening them for cardiovascular diseases," the Minister said.

UGCET: Option entry date extended

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

This extension has been made considering the slight delay in logging in and making option entries due to server issues

Due to a server issue that has been going on for the past two days, Karnataka Examinations Authority (KEA) has extended the 'option entry' date for professional courses, including engineering and others, from July 15 to 18.

"Although the server issue is returning to normal, the option entry date for UGCET has been extended to July 18 in the interest of the candidates," a statement issued by KEA executive director H. Prasanna said on Friday.

This extension has been made considering the slight delay in logging in and making option entries due to server issues. Candidates expecting seats for engineering, veterinary medicine, and animal Husbandry, agricultural science, B.P.T. allied health science courses should use this opportunity to complete this process without any worry, the statement said.

Candidates should prepare the list of colleges and courses in order of priority (college code and course code) on a white paper in advance and then enter the option entry on the portal. This will avoid a large number of candidates keeping the portal active for a long time at once; it will also make the portal easier for other candidates, it said.

Reminder message

A reminder message will be sent to all candidates regarding the resumption of the selection entry portal. The revised schedule of first round seat allocation has been advised to visit the website and note it. He also, said that the mock seat allocation results will be out on July 21 and the final results on July 28, it added.

Following the server crash, the officials of Karnataka State Data Centre held a series of meetings with KEA authorities on Friday to discuss the issue.

Candidates who have registered for UGNEET-2025 after July 7 and paid the fee (those who have claimed seats from 'A' to 'O' and 'Z' class) have been asked to appear at KEA head office in Bengaluru between July 17 and 19 for verification of all original documents for admission to medical, dental, ayurveda, homeopathy and unani courses.

The schedule for those who have claimed under special categories, specially abled candidates, and those who have claimed under 'A' to 'O' and 'Z' class to appear for document verification has been published on the KEA website, and the details of the original documents to be submitted for verification have been given during the UGCET itself. It has been clarified that candidates should read.

Kannada language test

It has also been informed that the Kannada language test will be held on July 17 from 3.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. at the Bengaluru centre for newly registered Horanadu and Gadinadu Kannada candidates.

No discrimination to Dalit staff, says BU

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Bangalore University (BU) has denied allegations of anti-Dalit policy charged by the SC/ST Teachers' Association of the university.

Recently, around 67 professors belonging to SC/ST communities have written a letter to the Vice-Chancellor alleging discrimination in statutory appointments, violation of reservation norms, and delay in filling backlog posts and given a 15 days deadline to set things right.

The university issued a clarification on Friday stating, "Appointments of statutory posts such as Vice-Chancellor, Registrar, Finance Officer, and Registrar (Evaluation) are made directly by the government. the university has no role in these appointments. It is unfortunate that these appointments are being viewed as discriminatory. At the university level, wherever appointments are within its control, SC/ST faculty members have been given preference. Out of 30 administrative positions like Directors, Coordinators, Special Officers, and Nodal Officers, 22 posts are held by SC/ST teachers."

The university pointed out that no other public university in Karnataka has filled backlog vacancies to the extent that Bangalore University has.

"In the academic year 2024-25, 44 faculty members were promoted as Associate Professors, out of which 29 belong to SC/ST categories," the university clarified.

Scurrying for cover

July showers: People brave heavy monsoon rains in the afternoon, after a long gap of three weeks, in Bengaluru on Friday. Bengaluru city witnessed good pre monsoon rains in May, but received very little or no rains in June and the beginning of July. K. MURALI KUMAR

CIT receives BBMP's BluGreen award

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Cambridge Institute of Technology (CIT) has recently received the BluGreen Award 2025 under the Solid Waste Management category, presented by the BBMP and the Bengaluru Climate Action Cell. Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar handed over the award. CIT was among 15 institutions selected in the Solid Waste Management category. The recognition comes after a series of waste management initiatives implemented on the campus.

International conference

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BENGALURU

ISRO chairman V. Narayanan inaugurated the IEEE International Conference at Presidency University, launching a two-day global research event on Friday. The conference received over 1,400 research paper submissions, and organisers selected 300 for presentation across 10 technical tracks.

In his keynote address, Mr. Narayanan shared his journey from Kanyakumari to leading India's space program, and celebrated ISRO's 100th mission, GSLV-F15. Presidency University chancellor Nissar Ahmed honored Mr. Narayanan for his contributions and leadership. Makarand Madhav Ghangrekar, director, NIT Puducherry, was the guest of honour.

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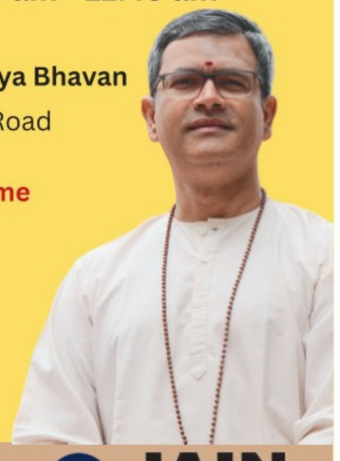
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KTPP Tender
(As per Standard Tender Procurement Documents KW-1/2/4)

As per KTPP 2000 Act by the Order and in the name of Governer, Karnataka State Tenders are invite under 2025-26 15th FC, Savings SFC/SCSP/TSP/Savings/SFC DW for various Civil Work. Eligible registered bidders are requested to bid in **Two Cover** System via KTPP Portal Website www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in on/or before the date mentioned as under through e-portal only. Manual application will not be accepted. Further details contact under signed office at Working hours.

1	KTPP Portal Tender Schedule Download Date from	**10-07-2025 at 05-30 PM**
2	Last Date of Bid Subbmission	**24-07-2025 at 05-00 PM**
3	Tender Opening date	**25-07-2025 at 10-30 AM or After days**
4	Application Fee (Non-Refundable)	**As per KPPP Portal**

In case of the Date of Bid Opening happends to be holiday because of any Special Circumstances/Govt. holiday, The Next Date is considered as Date of Opening.

Sl. No	Works Details	Amount Put Tender Cost (In Rupees)	EMD (In Rupees)	Working Period
1	DMA/2025-26/EL/WORK_INDENT43920 (OTHERS)	1310619.00	32765.00	3 Months
2	DMA/2025-26/OW/ WORK_INDENT43901 (SC)	3044338.00	38054.00	4 Months
3	DMA/2025-26/RD/ WORK_INDENT43887 (ST)	3509070.00	43863.00	4 Months
4	DMA/2025-26/RD/ WORK_INDENT43883(OTHERS)	3194633.71	79866.00	4 Months
5	DMA/2025-26/OW/ WORK_INDENT43879 (OTHERS)	2285258.00	57131.00	3 Months
6	DMA/2025-26/OW/ WORK_INDENT43866 (SC)	3244808.00	40560.00	6 Months
7	DMA/2025-26/WS/ WORK_INDENT43829 (OTHERS)	1691913.00	42298.00	3 Months
8	DMA/2025-26/WS/ WORK_INDENT43764 (CAT-II(A)	2569603.06	32120.00	6 Months
9	DMA/2025-26/BD/ WORK_INDENT43763(CAT-II(A)	1247872.00	15598.00	3 Months
10	DMA/2025-26/OW/ WORK_INDENT44810 (SC)	845299.97	10566.00	4 Months
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Karnataka's greenhouse gas emissions could exceed 400 MT by 2050: Report

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The report highlights that in the buildings sector, electricity demand could reach 40% of the total use by 2050

Karnataka's greenhouse gas emissions could exceed 400 million tonnes (MT) by 2050, states a new report by not-for-profit research organisation CSTEP.

Though the emissions could exceed 400 MT by 2050, emissions can be cut to 50 MT, mainly through electrification, renewable energy, and demand-side interventions, the report, titled "Namma SAFARI: Low-Carbon Development Pathways for Karnataka," said.

Six key factors

Namma SAFARI is Karnataka's first integrated system dynamics model, mapping long-term interactions across six key sectors – energy, transport, industry, buildings, agriculture, and land use – till 2050. Developed by CSTEP, the model supports evidence-based planning for a low-carbon, sustainable future.

"The model projects Karnataka's population will cross 75 million by 2050, with its Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) rising to ₹128 lakh crore (2011 constant prices). Under a business-as-usual path, greenhouse gas emissions could exceed 400 MT by 2050. However, a low-carbon scenario, informed by expert consultations, shows emissions can be cut to ~50 MT, mainly through electrification, renewable energy, and demand-side interventions," CSTEP said.

The report also highlighted that in the buildings sector, electricity demand could reach 40% of total use by 2050. "The low-carbon path reduces this by 25% through passive cooling, green construction, and rooftop solar. Enforcing energy codes such as Energy Conservation Building Code (ECBC) and Eco Niwas Samhita (ENS) is key," it added.

Role of industry

It further stated that industry is the largest contributor to electricity demand and emissions. "To guarantee demand and drive economies of scale, a mandate for a minimum share (~25%) of public infrastructure projects to use certified green cement or steel, along with preferential pricing for compliance, would boost investment in low-carbon production. Decarbonising these industries also has other co-benefits," it said.

The other highlights of the report are in agriculture, which currently uses ~30% of the State's electricity; demand drops to zero in the low-carbon case through off-grid solar irrigation. "Scaling up minimum support price coverage for crops such as millets, pulses, and oilseeds (currently just 8%) will support this shift," CSTEP said.

"For transport, shifting 33% of freight to rail by 2030 could save 50 crore litres of diesel annually. Electrification doubles power demand to ~54.5 TWh by 2050. Incentives for rail, improved logistics, and electric vehicle (EV) expansion are needed," it further added.

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Blame game on between civic body and vendors over state of city markets

Most of the markets are strewn with garbage and are a nightmare to navigate when it rains; while shopkeepers allege irregular waste collection, BBMP authorities say vendors don't follow norms

(Clockwise from top left) Waste dumped at the stall area at K.R. Puram market; garbage that has remained unattended on Bazaar Street at Yeshwantpur and at the fish market at Shivajinagar; and the unhygienic condition near the washrooms at Madiwala market, in Bengaluru.

Eman Syed
BENGALURU

The city's iconic markets continue to grapple with a persistent challenge of poor sanitation and waste mismanagement. Most of the markets are strewn with garbage, have unhygienic toilets, and are a nightmare to navigate when it rains.

Despite several drives to clean up the markets, they are back to square one in no time. While vendors blame poor sanitation, irregular garbage collection and neglect of infrastructure, civic officials cite regular clean-up efforts and attribute the recurring waste accumulation to shopkeepers who fail to comply with civic norms such as garbage segregation, ban on plastic etc., for the unsanitary conditions.

At K.R. Market

Krishna Rajendra Market (K.R. Market), one of the oldest and largest markets in Bengaluru, continues to struggle with poor waste management, persistent unsanitary and unhygienic conditions. When *The Hindu* visited the market recently, the fruit market area, located behind the main complex, had roads littered with uncollected waste, and the situation worsens significantly during rains, turning the already unclean pathways into slippery, unsanitary stretches. An abandoned building behind the fruit and fisheries section of K.R. Market has become an informal dumping site for garbage. This building has also become a site of open defecation.

A vendor, Mohammed Shami, who runs a fruit stall at K.R. Market, expressed his frustration with the inaction by civic authorities: "We have complained to the BBMP four or five times, but no action has been taken. Officials visit once, inspect the area, and then leave without resolving anything. My shop is in front of an abandoned building, and all the waste gets dumped here. Even customers are driven away," he said. "The washrooms are cleaned only once a day. The surrounding area is also poorly maintained, and even the pathway to the washrooms is littered with garbage," said Sivashekar Subramaniam, a fish vendor.

In other markets

The situation is no different at other markets as well. For instance, at Madiwala market, where many solid waste management interventions were earlier made, waste continues to accumulate and remains unattended, despite routine cleaning.

"Residents throw garbage at night because the waste collection vehicles don't enter narrow streets. It's tough to even protect our shops from waste being dumped at night," said Raghu Kumar, an incense seller.

The situation at K.R. Puram market is worse. As garbage remains unsegregated, uncollected, and strewn around in the market, stray cows and dogs roam freely among the stalls. The situation has been so bad that many vendors with stalls in the market have set up vending outlets on the footpath. "The smell is so bad, and since there's no space away from the filth, I've had to set up my stall on the roadside near the market. But BBMP officials evict us from the roadside. What option do I have?" said Rahmatulla Khan Sahab, a vendor.

Najma Sheikh said while she used to be a regular customer at Shivajinagar market, she had not been going there to shop as often as before. "I used to shop here regularly, but the foul smell and the mess, especially during rains, make it unbearable," she said. BBMP trucks filled with garbage are parked in long lines near the market throughout the day.

The situation at Yeshwantpur market is no different. After multiple complaints failed to produce any results, vendors themselves pooled in money and got the stretch cleaned. "The spot where we sell used to be in a very bad condition, but we spent ₹5,000 to ₹6,000 and got it cleaned ourselves. Even after multiple complaints, we didn't expect anything to improve," Mukesh Prasanna, a vendor in the area, said.

Vendors blamed

When contacted by *The Hindu*, multiple civic officials in charge of cleanliness at these markets in the city vouch that the BBMP has been cleaning up the markets every day, but say the vendors do not segregate waste, scientifically dispose them, use plastic covers in violation of norms and even customers do not follow civic norms, leading to unsanitary conditions.

"Waste collection and cleaning of the market area is done and even photographic evidence of the same is submitted every day. It is unclear how the waste continues to persist," said Abhilash M.M., Assistant Executive Engineer, SWM, Shivajinagar. "Cleaning is being carried out regularly. However, the area tends to become dirty again shortly after it is cleaned. Shopkeepers continue to use plastic despite restrictions and contribute to the waste," said Shashikala, Assistant Executive Engineer, South Zone, under which K.R. Market lies.

Stampede: Panel holds RCB, KSCA, event management firm, police responsible

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Justice Michael Cunha-led judicial inquiry report submitted to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Friday reportedly indicts Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) franchise, event management company DNA Entertainment Pvt Ltd., Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA) and several city police officials for the stampede at the M. Chinnaswamy Stadium in which 11 persons died on June 4. The report also has several recommendations to prevent a repeat of such tragedies.

Sources said that apart from the five police officials, including former City Police Commissioner B. Dayananda and Additional Commissioner Vikash Kumar Vikash, who were suspended by the State government, the report holds more police officials culpable, by name.

Retired High Court judge Michael Cunha submitting the inquiry report to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Friday.

This assumes significance as the Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT), while setting aside the suspension order of Mr. Vikash, who had challenged it, said the suspension was without valid grounds and said *prima facie* RCB was to be blamed for the stampede, and said police did not have enough time to prepare. This order, seen as a setback for the State government, has been challenged by the State in the High Court of Karnataka.

Mr. Siddaramaiah, speaking to mediapersons after accepting the report from retired High Court judge Michael Cunha, said that the report was in two volumes. "I am yet to read the findings and recommendations of the judicial inquiry commission. The report will be tabled in the next Cabinet meeting scheduled for July 17, where it will be discussed threadbare, and the Cabinet will decide on the next course of action," he said.

Following the stampede Mr. Siddaramaiah had announced the judicial commission led by Justice Michael Cunha on June 6, as well as the suspension of police officials. The Commission was given a month's time to submit its report. The State government had also ordered a magisterial inquiry led by Bengaluru (Urban) district Deputy Commissioner G. Jagadeesha, who is yet to submit his report to the State government. He had been given 15 days time, which was extended later.

NABARD Foundation Day

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The 44th Foundation Day of the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) will be celebrated on July 15 at the Regional Office auditorium on K.G. Road.

Chief Secretary Shalini Rajneesh will preside over the event. Senior officials from the banking sector, heads of various Karnataka government departments, and representatives from cooperative and banking institutions will participate. Shrikant M. Bhandiwad, chairman of Karnataka Gramin Bank, and M. Bhaskar Chakravarthy, CEO of Karnataka State Cooperative Apex Bankwill take part.

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'Soon, AI models will be able to solve any UG science problem correctly'

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Indian Institute of Science (IISc) convocation was held in Bengaluru on Friday. 1,487 PhD and Master's students, and 106 under-graduate students received their degrees during the convocation. Medals were conferred on 84 students for their academic excellence.

Addressing the convocation ceremony, mathematician Manjul Bhargava said that within a year or two, a few artificial intelligence (AI) models will be able to correctly solve any undergraduate science problems.

"AI remains notoriously bad at doing math and science. You have all seen the memes and social media posts illustrating the kind of mathematical and scientific announcements that AI often produces with its nonsensical answers to scientific and mathematical questions," he said.

Director of IISc Govindan Rangarajan, mathematician Manjul Bhargava, and IISc Council chairman Kris Gopalakrishnan during the convocation programme on Friday. SUDHAKARA JAIN

Getting better

However, he said, in a couple of years, all this could be different as AI is getting better every day. "AI is getting better every day and having got the opportunity to test some of the new versions of language models that have been coming out recently. Give any trigonometry problems to some of the AI, they will be able to nail it, and correctly, unlike now," Dr. Bhargava said.

"That brings us to a number of questions like what will happen to teaching at institutions like IISc when that happens. As AI does get better across subjects, we will have to constantly reassess, for example, what we should be teaching children in schools," the mathematician said.

He added that with new exciting disruptive technologies will come new challenges and problems, which can only be solved in creative out-of-the-box and interdisciplinary ways.

"Other questions that will arise as AI gets better in various subjects are related to policy. What policies will need to be effected to ensure ethics in AI, and so on," he added.

Posthumous honour

The Prof. B.G. Raghavendra Memorial Medal was awarded to Somwanshi Nikhil Chottu posthumously. He passed away a few months ago under tragic circumstances. He was from the Department of Management Studies and had pursued the MMgmt programme.

Sharavati project gets 'in-principle nod' from NBWL

The Hindu Bureau
MYSURU

The National Board for Wildlife (NBWL) has granted in-principle approval for the Sharavati Pumped Storage Hydroelectric Project, despite serious ecological concerns raised over its impact on the Sharavati Valley Lion-tailed Macaque Sanctuary in the Western Ghats.

The project, proposed by the Karnataka Power Corporation Ltd., seeks to build a pumped storage hydroelectric system of 2,000 MW in the heart of the Western Ghats and entailed use of 42.51 hectares or 105.05 acres of forestland and 60.53 hectares or 149.57 acres of non-forestland from the Sharavati Valley Lion-tailed Macaque Sanctuary.

This is apart from 11.64 hectares or 28.76 acres of forestland and 28.074 hectares or 69.37 acres of non-forestland from the eco-sensitive zone around the sanctuary. The scheme envisages installation of underground turbines and pipes to connect Talakalale dam and Gerusoppa dam to generate power. Though the proposal has been recommended by the State Board for Wildlife and the State government, environmentalists were pinning their hopes on the NBWL, which has cleared the project in principle but with 24 riders or conditions. However, activists dismissed these conditions as nothing more than a list of protocols to be adhered to during the construction period, such as limiting construction hours, prohibiting labour camps inside the forest, installing wildlife signages, complying with waste management protocols, etc.

The decision was taken at the NBWL's 84th meeting on June 26, and the minutes were released on July 9. The Sharavati Valley ishome to many endemic and endangered species, including about 700 lion-tailed macaques – one of the rarest primates in the world. The list of conditions include "mitigation measures", but conservationists have expressed their dismay, saying that afforestation can never compensate for destruction of forests. The project entails felling of nearly 15,000 trees. The NBWL, however, has stated that more than 12,000 trees can be saved if the proposed underground road from Nagar Basti Kere to Begodi is extended to the base of the pump house.

The project will now be moved for approval under the Forest Conservation Act, 1980, before it comes back to the NBWL standing committee, which, the activists said, would be a formality as in-principle nod had already been accorded for it.

TV actor stabbed, husband held

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

A Kannada TV actor was allegedly stabbed multiple times by her husband at Hanumanthnagar here, recently.

Manjula, known by her screen name Shruti, is being treated at Victoria Hospital and is said to be out of danger. A fight erupted between the two, after which, her husband Amaresh allegedly attacked her with pepper spray, banged her head against a wall and stabbed her multiple times with a kitchen knife and fled from the scene. Manjula was admitted to a hospital, and later shifted to Victoria Hospital. The police have arrested Amaresh for attempt to murder.

The couple married 20 years ago and have two children. Owing to marital discord, they had been living separately for the past few months.

However, the couple had recently patched up and started living together again.

Three tiger cubs die at BBP

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Close on the heels of the death of an adult tigress and its four cubs at the M.M. Hills Wildlife Sanctuary, three more tiger cubs have died at the Bannerghatta Biological Park (BBP). According to BBP officials, tigress Hima Das gave birth to three cubs on July 7. Officials said that the cubs were injured, and shifted to BBP's hospital for intensive care and hand-rearing.

"Despite all attempts by doctors, the cubs didn't survive." a statement from the BBP said.

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Rethinking home

Why the 2.5 BHK is redefining urban Indian living today

Aman Gupta

There is slow yet substantial change taking place in the Indian urban setting. As the standard of living improves and cities become more congested, homebuyers – especially in the Indian context – seek smarter and more adaptable, flexible housing solutions. The 2.5 BHK configuration seems to be gaining popularity among working professionals, nuclear families, and even investors.

The change has only accelerated in the last two decades because of socio-economic factors such as the rising availability of remote work, urban migration, nuclear families, dual-income households, and a need for greater privacy.

In the given context, the 3 BHK can be financially daunting, while a 2 BHK in this situation becomes suffocating. With its "half" room, the 2.5 BHK offers the best of both worlds – and that is precisely where its advantage lies.

IThe 2.5 BHK can be a practical choice for middle-income earners. GETTY IMAGES/ ISTOCK

What makes the 2.5 BHK tick?

The main distinction between the 2 BHK and the 2.5 BHK is the addition of a small room – usually around 8x10 feet or smaller. Though not ample for a full-sized bedroom, this small area can be used for a wide range of things. It can be crafted into a soft office, study, prayer room, hobby area, or even a tiny guest room.

Changes to modern life can be attributed to the increasing popularity of this format. Noteworthy factors include:

Remote and hybrid work models: There has been a sustained need for home offices or quiet zones ever since the pandemic, which allows for productive remote or hybrid work. The "half" room serves as a professional space that doesn't interfere with household routines.

Growing children: There are families with toddlers or school-aged children who often need an additional study or playroom, but can't be comfortably accommodated within a standard 2 BHK.

Frequent visitors or elderly parents: A large part of the Indian population continues to accommodate visiting parents or extended family for long periods of time. These families can readily house them without any loss of general everyday comfort in a 2.5 BHK.

Cost-effective upgrade: The 2.5 BHK is relatively less expensive compared to a 3 BHK and comes with lower EMIs, maintenance, and tax implications – making it a practical choice for middle-income earners.

Buyer behaviour and market response

Recent trends in the urban housing markets indicate a sharp increase in the demand for 2.5 BHK units in Bengaluru, Pune, Hyderabad, Chennai, and certain areas of the Mumbai Metropolitan Region.

These cities are well-connected and serve as hubs for young professionals and IT sector employees, thus serving as a hot market for first-time homeowners who are value-conscious. This demographic tends to view this format as a long-term investment that is flexible enough to cater to persisting family needs, thus allowing less urgency to upgrade to larger homes later on.

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The 2.5 BHK is relatively less expensive when compared with a 3 BHK. GETTY IMAGES

Developer strategies and design innovations

Now, real estate developers are contorting floor plans to utilise the new "half" room. Some are providing modular options that enable the space to either be opened up or enclosed depending on the buyer's preferences. In some cases, the 0.5 room is now being strategically placed to capture natural light, enhance ventilation, or provide better acoustic separation – the room is highly functional even within limited space.

A glimpse into the future

Aside from a room, the 2.5 BHK offers myriad opportunities. For couples just starting a life together, it could translate into a space needed to enable a new business idea.

For children, it could mean focused academic attention. For professionals, it allows for greater separation between work and home life.

This configuration enhances these clients' value propositions.

Even basic housing units are more appealing to real estate investors, as they can understand the functionality for a broader target market.

Having an extra room, however small, improves rental value, resale potential, and even catches the interest of tenants who desire multi-use residential properties.

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Stifling a sane voice

U.S. sanctions against a UN official are dangerous and absurd

The U.S. decision to impose sanctions on a United Nations Special Rapporteur for her criticism of Israel's war in Gaza has been called a "dangerous precedent" by the UN and top UN Human Rights Council officials. The comments followed U.S. Secretary of State Marco Rubio's announcement that Francesca Albanese, a "Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in occupied Palestinian Territories since 1967", would face restrictions as a result of her engagement with the International Criminal Court (ICC). The ICC has already been sanctioned by U.S. President Donald Trump in an executive order, shortly after he took office. While the scope of the sanctions are still unclear, they are understood to include travel and visa bans, and possible asset freezes for Ms. Albanese, who has drawn American ire with a report in June that urged international organisations to prosecute corporate entities and multinationals whose work helps fund the war. Ms. Albanese has frequently accused Israel of conducting the "cruellest genocide" in Gaza, as well as its takeover of the Gaza Strip. She has also been calling for scrutiny of the "Gaza Humanitarian Foundation", a U.S.-Israeli NGO. The U.S. actions have no doubt been spurred by Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's latest visit to Washington, where he announced that his government would nominate Mr. Trump for the Nobel Peace Prize.

Amidst the rising death toll in Gaza and no ceasefire or deal for the return of Israeli hostages in sight, Washington's focus on a UN official is absurd and outrageous. Ms. Albanese's work is mandated by the UN Human Rights Council, and the U.S. actions undermine the global multilateral world order by calling those actions criminal. It is irrational to hold her responsible for the warrants and orders issued by the ICC and the International Court of Justice, which have heard testimonies from representatives of at least 40 states and international organisations on petitions calling for action against Israel. Mr. Rubio's contention, that Ms. Albanese should be sanctioned for engaging with the ICC to prosecute U.S. and Israeli nationals "without the consent of those two countries", is not legally valid. Further, his allegations that she "has spewed unabashed antisemitism [and] expressed support for terrorism" are not borne out by facts. As global outrage over Israel's killing of Palestinians, and the U.S. support for those actions, grows louder, as well as the BRICS summit condemnation this week, that India too joined, it is time for the U.S. to look in the mirror. The need is to effect an immediate ceasefire, and not in bringing the considerable might of the most powerful country to bear over one individual, in order to silence her voice.

English dreams

Imposing any language as the medium of instruction is unacceptable

English medium education is an aspiration for many Indians, but state policy regarding the medium of instruction has been uneven across time and regions. The ongoing language debate in India, which stems from the renewed efforts of the Bharatiya Janata Party to enforce a three-language policy, has many components, the medium of instruction being one. Educationists generally argue that instruction in the mother tongue helps children achieve better learning goals in their early stages of development. This view is supported by pedagogical research, but it cannot, and does not, operate in isolation from other factors such as constitutional rights and ground realities. India's linguistic diversity and distribution is such that even the question of what is a child's mother tongue can often be a contested one. There is also the constitutional question of freedom of expression and choice. In 2014, after a protracted legal tussle, the Supreme Court of India held that a Karnataka government order of 1994 that made instruction in Kannada mandatory until Class four was not valid under the Constitution. For, children have a right to choose, and the state cannot enforce its view on what is good for them. The rights of private educational institutions to offer education as per market demand is another related issue.

The National Education Policy that is being aggressively pushed by the Centre has a particularly anti-English edge, which is not in line with popular aspiration. Many States that want to promote their local language and culture also want to promote English education and English as a medium of instruction. In Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala and Tamil Nadu, there are aided English medium schools. The demand for English medium education is growing – this includes the Hindi-speaking regions – which is met largely by substandard and expensive private institutions. English skills help individuals and the country in gaining a place in the global services sector. India's subaltern caste groups in particular seek to empower themselves through English education, which remains a currency for upward mobility. If state schools do not offer English medium instruction, relatively richer families could still access it through private schools. In this context, education becomes a continuing reproduction and even aggravation of social inequalities, which is the exact opposite of its purpose. The fact is that knowledge of English is empowering and convertible for other outcomes. There can be a debate on whether it should be the medium of instruction at the primary level, but a basic test of any policy is in how it advances the ambitions of the most disadvantaged sections.

New political contours in Tamil Nadu's shifting sands

Srinivasan Ramani

With its Assembly elections less than a year away, Tamil Nadu faces a pivotal moment in its pursuit of an upper-middle-income economy. Distinct historically, the State has long resisted national homogenising forces, forging its unique political and social identity. This trajectory is now being tested by complex economic challenges and an assertive central government. The years ahead will determine whether Tamil Nadu can sustain its equitable growth model and preserve its ideological moorings amidst new political realities. Tamil Nadu's political landscape has long been defined by two distinct Dravidian strands. The Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK), known for what political scientist Narendra Subramanian calls its 'assertive populism', leveraged social justice and federalism to uplift marginalised groups. Despite criticisms of patronage, the DMK's ideological commitment has been consistent.

Conversely, the All India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (AIADMK) practised 'paternalistic populism', prioritising patronage and welfare over ideology. Led by charismatic figures such as M.G. Ramachandran and J. Jayalalithaa, the AIADMK united diverse anti-DMK forces, from traditional upper-caste Congress supporters to landowning castes and welfare beneficiaries. It also mobilised Dalits against intermediate castes dominant in the DMK, forming a stable bipolar system, with the AIADMK as the DMK's enduring adversary.

This bipolar Dravidian system, while fostering patronage and corruption, also drove a competitive populist economic model. This facilitated comprehensive industrialisation as well as welfare in health, education, and services. The State's political exceptionalism has been crucial to its economic success, making it a beacon of inclusive growth, India's second largest economy, and significantly reducing poverty.

However, the Dravidian model has its limitations. Its competitive populism has delivered impressive quantitative outcomes such as good high school enrolment, extensive health care, and widespread industrial growth, but quality has often lagged. Learning outcomes are mediocre, employment quality needs improvement and unchecked industrial growth has degraded the environment. Critically, policies designed for the inclusivity of Other Backward Classes (OBC) may have reinforced caste divisions. Despite the State's social justice rhetoric, there is persistent and deep-seated casteism with ongoing discrimination against Dalits and inter-caste tensions. The focus of the Dravidian parties on caste-based mobilisation, while politically successful, has often institutionalised rather than transcended caste identities.

The rise of the BJP

The national ascendancy of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has fundamentally disrupted this binary system. Lacking significant ideological traction in Tamil Nadu, the BJP has sought to carve out space for itself by fracturing the AIADMK's traditional base, and fostering internal dissension and multiple splits. The irony is stark: a disarrayed AIADMK is now in alliance with the very force that is threatening its ideological and electoral space.

The changing political landscape could pose a challenge to the bipolar Dravidian system as well as the State's diverse ethos and distinct model of governance and development

This opportunistic alliance now prioritises dislodging the DMK over ideological alignment. The AIADMK cynically leverages the BJP's central strength: blaming the DMK government for failures in securing central funds or abolishing the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET (UG) despite the Centre's refusal. More alarmingly, the AIADMK, under the leadership of Edappadi K. Palaniswami, a former Chief Minister, has now sought to use the BJP's corrosive ideology as a crutch, seen in his criticism of the current government using temple funds to construct colleges.

The DMK's strategy, in response, has been astute: forging a robust ideological alliance with the Congress, Left parties, and the Dalits-led Viduthalai Chiruthaigal Katchi (VCK) among others. Chief Minister M.K. Stalin's accommodative leadership has maintained cohesion, with the perceived threat of BJP hegemony providing an ongoing ideological imperative. The coalition's strong anti-BJP stance, crucial for cohesion, has also risked unfavourable central policies.

The strength of this alliance lies in its inherent framework of mutual accountability. The Congress ensures a national perspective while the Left parties ensure awareness of worker and peasant and environmental issues, pushing beyond narrow industrial progress. Crucially, the VCK's presence represents a corrective mechanism to the DMK's historical limitations – anchoring the alliance to a comprehensive understanding of social justice that extends beyond OBC mobilisation to include Dalit recognition and upliftment – seen in the alliance's attempts at addressing caste discrimination and caste hierarchy more robustly.

Tamil Nadu's active civil society further underpins the State's ideological bedrock, championing a nuanced secularism. Unlike other States, where secularism can be defensive, Tamil Nadu's communities often identify as Tamilians alongside their religious identities, fostering inter-religious bonds. Rationalist movements, film-makers and writers have created popular support for progressive policies that attack casteism, patriarchy, and superstition whilst enabling redistributive governance. However, this intellectual and social foundation now faces its greatest test as the political landscape fragments.

Four-cornered contest, implications

Today, Tamil Nadu faces a new four-cornered contest. The economic implications are profound. New charisma-driven forces have emerged. Actor Vijay's Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam (TVK) attempts to replicate the AIADMK's matinee idol success with superficial Dravidian and social justice assertions. Conversely, film-maker Seeman's Naam Tamilar Katchi seeks to redefine Tamil nationalism away from its Dravidian core.

This fragmentation threatens to exacerbate the existing limitations of the Dravidian model. The AIADMK-BJP alliance aims to exploit rather than resolve caste tensions. Parties such as the Pattali Makkal Katchi, mobilising specific caste identities, have aligned with the BJP for narrow identitarian gains. These formations offer little towards solutions for environmental degradation, gender discrimination or improving education and employment quality – causes of concern in an otherwise developing State.

The DMK alliance's progressive framework offers superior conditions for economic transformation. Its emphasis on secular outcomes and social amity creates the governance capacity needed for such transitions. This is aided by the internal dynamics of the alliance. This structure, despite contradictions, provides the best framework for evolving beyond the Dravidian model's limitations while supporting social gains that are essential for economic progress.

The new fragmented political landscape could also affect the State's economic trajectory. New battles rooted in casteism or communalism could threaten its ambitions. Social conflict approaches that pit community against community and propagate medieval communal values undermine this transition.

As the State seems to progress to an upper-middle-income economy, it must avoid the middle-income trap, shifting to an innovation-driven, high-value manufacturing model. This requires heavy investment in research and development, digital literacy, and diversifying exports into more higher-value products and services – all of which demand greater state facilitation and fiscal autonomy.

The State contributed 11.9% to India's manufacturing GDP and has the most factories nationally. Its manufacturing sector grew at 8.33% between 2021-22 and 2023-24. Yet, a significant impediment is the central government's increasing fiscal centralisation and anti-federal policies. The Centre's broader fiscal policies increasingly constrain Tamil Nadu's financial autonomy even as the State demonstrates economic vitality with State Goods and Services Tax (SGST) collections growing 20.12% to ₹35,414.05 crore in H1 2024-25, reduced fiscal allocations post-GST and higher cesses continue to cut mandated devolution. More concerning is its refusal of development funds to Opposition-ruled States as a form of political pressure.

Regional resistance to national relevance

These challenges highlight a broader strategic imperative for Tamil Nadu's ruling alliance. Sustaining its distinct model requires moving beyond regionalism toward proactive coalition-building. As one State alone cannot effectively challenge central fiscal policies, coordinated opposition can create national pressure. Facing a hostile Centre, the DMK-led alliance must think beyond regional confines, mobilising opinion among other Opposition-ruled States on shared concerns: delimitation, a two-language policy, and greater fiscal decentralisation.

For the alliance to achieve its aims within Tamil Nadu, its national partners – particularly the Congress and Left – must actively foster a favourable discourse on federalism, social justice and secularism nationally. The political battles in Tamil Nadu are thus not merely about retaining power. They are about preserving a distinct model of governance and development that has delivered tangible progress. The stakes for Tamil Nadu, Indian federalism, and its diverse ethos, could not be higher.

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View India's Gender Gap Report ranking as a warning

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India must treat gender equality as central to its economic and demographic future

India is now a global economic power, a digital innovator, and home to the world's largest youth population. But the World Economic Forum's Global Gender Gap Report (2025) is a sobering reminder that when it comes to gender equality, India remains far behind.

Structural issues

India ranks 131 out of 148 countries, with particularly low scores in economic participation and health and survival – the pillars essential for meaningful gender parity. These are not just social indicators. They are signs of a structural failure holding back national progress.

Despite progress in educational attainment, India continues to struggle in ensuring women's health and autonomy. The report shows that India's sex ratio at birth remains among the most skewed in the world, reflecting a persistent son preference. The healthy life expectancy for women is now lower than men's.

Such outcomes point to chronic neglect in reproductive health, preventive care and nutrition, especially for women from lower-income and rural backgrounds. Increased Budget allocations for health, especially at the primary care level, are a necessity to improve women's well-being and their access to basic services, such as education and health care. Without good health, economic inclusion becomes impossible. Nearly 57% of Indian women in the 15 to 49 age group are anaemic – as reported by National Family Health Survey (NFHS)-5 – which reduces their ability to learn, work, or carry pregnancies safely. Such a widespread and correctable issue is emblematic of the broader failure to treat women's health as a national development priority.

India ranks 143rd on the Economic Participation and Opportunity subindex. Women continue to earn less than a third of what men do, and female labour force participation remains stubbornly low. The McKinsey Global Institute, in 2015, had projected that closing gender gaps could add $770 billion to India's GDP by 2025. Yet, in 2025, India appears to have lost out on the opportunity. At the current pace of progress, it may take over a century to close the global economic gender gap – and India lags behind even that trajectory.

A sidelining

This is not just about employment numbers. Women remain busy in informal and subsistence work and are grossly under-represented in decision-making spaces – from boardrooms to budget committees. The result is a policy ecosystem that repeatedly sidelines women's lived realities. The burden of unpaid care work continues to be a major drag on women's time and agency. Indian women perform nearly seven times more unpaid domestic work than men, as highlighted by the Time Use Survey. Yet, this critical labour remains invisible in national accounting and underfunded in public policy.

Investing in care infrastructure such as childcare centres, elder care services and maternity benefits would not only ease this burden but also enable millions of women to enter or re-enter the workforce. The vacuum in these services reflects both a gender and an economic blind spot.

Central and State governments must begin to account for unpaid care work in their economic and social policy frameworks through time-use surveys, gender budgeting, and direct investment in care infrastructure. India can look to countries such as Uruguay and South Korea, which have begun integrating care economies into their development plans, with positive results.

Supporting senior citizens

India is at a demographic turning point. While it continues to draw benefits from a young population, its percentage of senior citizens is expected to nearly double by 2050, reaching close to 20% of the population. This demographic shift will predominantly comprise very old women, especially widows, who often experience high dependency. At the same time, fertility rates have already fallen below replacement level, as noted in the NFHS-5. This means that the working-age population will shrink and the care needs of the elderly will rise. The only way to sustain economic growth in this context is to ensure women – half the population – are healthy, supported, and economically active. Gender equality is no longer just a rights issue. It is a demographic and economic necessity.

If women continue to exit or be excluded from the workforce, the dependency ratio will rise even faster, placing greater strain on fewer workers and undermining fiscal stability. Reversing this trend demands integrated policies that connect health, labour and social protection.

India does not lack frameworks or ambition – the slogans are there. What is required is real investment: in public health systems that prioritise women's needs; in care services that redistribute unpaid work, and in policies that see women not as beneficiaries, but as builders of the economy.

The Global Gender Gap Report is not just a ranking. It is a warning: unless India treats gender equality as central to its economic and demographic future, it risks squandering the gains it has worked so hard to achieve.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Bihar and the ECI

Bihar is a State that has been plagued with corruption and poor administration for decades, Therefore, any exercise that will result in change for the better must be encouraged. This must also be supported by robust law enforcement and a clean administration. The Election Commission of India must ensure that its special intensive revision of electoral rolls is a success.

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The end of humanity?

Lives no longer seem to matter whether it is in Gaza or Ukraine.
The world watches silently as genocide unfolds, livelihoods are destroyed and hope is extinguished. Across the world, we pride ourselves on our technological progress, but empathy, morality and life's true purpose are eroding.

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GROUND ZERO

The school van after it was hit by a train at the Semmankuppam railway crossing between Cuddalore and Alappakkam. M. SAMRAJ

In Cuddalore, a tragedy on the tracks

On the morning of July 8, a train rammed into a van at a non-interlocked manned level crossing in Cuddalore district. While eyewitnesses blame the gatekeeper for alleged criminal negligence, Southern Railway says that the fault lies with the driver, according to its preliminary enquiries. **S. Prasad** reports on the tragedy, which points to the dangers of the continued use of non-interlocked manned level crossings

Charumathy, 16 and Chezhiyan, 15, usually sat together in the school van. On the morning of July 8, as was routine, the siblings climbed into the van together, clutching their bags and water bottles. Their 55-year-old father, Dravidamani, stood in front of their house in Chinnakattusagai village and waved at them, says their aunt, S. Rani, 42.

The bright yellow vehicle belonged to the private school where the two of them had studied since lower kindergarten – Krishnaswamy Vidyanikethan, located at S. Kumarapuram, in Cuddalore district of Tamil Nadu.

A few minutes later, at 7:45 a.m., as the van ferrying the siblings and two other children – V. Nimalesh, 12, and V. Viswesh, 16 – tried to edge past a gated level crossing at Semmankuppam village, a passenger train barrelled into it. Charumathy and Nimalesh died on the spot, while Chezhiyan died by the time he was wheeled into the emergency and trauma care ward of the Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education and Research in Puducherry, 44 kilometres from the site. V. Viswesh and the van driver, S. Sankar, 47, were rushed to the Cuddalore General Hospital. Doctors say their condition is stable.

The collision

Among the first few people to rush to the scene to rescue the children and van driver was P. Annadurai, 55, a resident of Semmankuppam. He says he heard wails and ran out of his house. "I looked out across my compound wall and saw the mangled remains of the van on the side of the track. The gate was open and I rushed out. When I tried to rescue the children, I came in contact with an overhead power cable and suffered some burn injuries," he says.

Rangan, 50, an employee of a private company in Cuddalore SIPCOT, lives near the level crossing gate 170, a non-interlocked manned gate between Cuddalore and Alappakkam. He was getting ready for work when he heard a loud crash. Sensing that something was horribly wrong, he rushed to the level crossing and saw the mangled van.

"The gate was open and the area was engulfed in smoke. I dialled the ambulance service and then went near the van. The van driver was bleeding profusely and I immediately carried him on my shoulders. There was one child inside the van. One child's body had been dismembered. Another child's body was lying near the tracks. Other locals attended to them," he says.

The residents rushed Sankar and Viswesh in an ambulance to the Cuddalore General Hospital. Viswesh, a resident of Thondamanatham, lies on a bed in the emergency ward with an intravenous drip inserted into his wrist and a cast on his left arm. "I was travelling with my brother Nimalesh and two other students apart from the van driver," he recalls. "The gate was open. There was no whistled warning from the approaching train. There was no signal either. The train hit our van as we were crossing the tracks. I was thrown out of the van. Everything happened in a flash."

> The Railways should expedite the interlocking of gates on a priority basis
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The Villupuram-Mayiladuthurai passenger train hit the vehicle with such force that it dragged the van for about 50 metres before coming to a halt. By then, the van had been reduced to a mangled heap. Eyewitnesses say they saw blood on the tracks and school bags, water bottles, and shoes strewn around the area.

The gatekeeper's job

According to eyewitnesses, the gatekeeper, Pankaj Sharma, had failed to close the gate when the train was passing. R. Sivanvel, a resident of Semmankuppam, a village near Cuddalore SIPCOT, says, "Another express train had crossed the same gate about 20 minutes before this incident. The gate was open then too."

He also says the train did not give any warning and came thundering down the tracks. The Divisional Railway Manager, M.S. Anbalagan, told the media that the train was travelling at 95 kilometres per hour.

Rangan says the van driver, Sankar, had been operating the school van for nearly 15 years and had taken the same route several times. He adds that more than 15 vans and buses belonging to various educational institutions in the vicinity pass through this level crossing daily.

Residents of the area also allege that Sharma came out of his room only after they rushed to the accident spot. They contend that this was why an angry crowd pounced on him and manhandled him. Sharma has since been suspended and arrested.

The relative of a deceased student grieves outside the Cuddalore District Government Hospital. M. SAMRAJ

Following the usual route

Southern Railway officials say their preliminary inquiries revealed that the gate was closed when the van arrived. They say the van driver insisted that he be allowed to cross the gate so that he could quickly pick up more children and take them to school on time. "Sharma allowed him to go through, which he should not have done," says an official.

A statement issued by the Chief Public Relations Officer, Southern Railway, said that it had sanctioned a fully funded underpass at the level crossing gate where the accident occurred. However, it alleged that the Cuddalore collector has not given permission for it in the past year. The collector, Sibi Adhithya Senthil Kumar, did not respond to phone requests for a comment.

Another Railway official says the road leading to the level crossing was curved. He believes that the trees on the side of the road may have obstructed Sankar's view of the train. The trees mostly fall outside the boundary of the Railways. Workers were pressed into service to clear the trees the day after the accident.

> Another express train had crossed the same gate about 20 minutes before this incident. The gate was open then too
> **R. SIVANVEL**
> Resident of Semmankuppam

Residents say the driver of the school van took the usual route and tried to cross the tracks since the gate was open. The van had been fitted with speed governor and CCTVs but it had no attender to ensure the safety of the students.

"If an attender had been present, he could have got down and checked both sides of the level crossing," says an official from the School Education Department. "There has been negligence on the part of the school administration, and the department has served a notice on the school seeking an explanation."

An outdated system

The level crossing at Semmankuppam was a non-interlocked gate. This means that the gate's position, whether open or closed, is not automatically linked to the status of signals and points, requiring manual operation and vigilance. There are at least two gatekeepers posted there and they work in shifts.

A Railway official explains what happens when a train passes a non-interlocked level crossing. "Normally, the station master at a non-interlocked section communicates the details of an approaching train, along with a private number, to the gatekeeper. The gatekeeper then closes the gate and confirms this to the station master. The gatekeeper provides another private number, enabling the station master to allow the train into the block section. The private number is different for each train and is entered into a register maintained for the purpose. A private number that has been used can be used again only after 24 hours," he says. In this incident, the station master was at Cuddalore station.

However, in non-integrated level crossing gates, there is no mechanism for the station master to confirm the claim of the gatekeeper that the gate has been closed, he says. "In this incident, they may have exchanged the private numbers, but the gatekeeper could have still failed to close the gate," he says.

Across India, as of October 2024, there were 11,053 manned level crossing gates. Though all the level crossings were to be upgraded to interlocked gates in 2019, Southern Railway still operates trains through 276 non-interlocked gates, mostly in the Madurai and Tiruchi divisions. In Cuddalore, nearly 40 trains on average cross the Semmankuppam level crossing daily. "The Railways should expedite the interlocking of gates on a priority basis," says an official.

Another official speaks of the drawbacks of this outdated system. "The non-interlocked system depends on verbal communication. If the gatekeeper says the gate is closed to road traffic, the station master takes that for granted and clears the train to run at sectional speed. The system is manual and runs on trust. On the other hand, at integrated level crossings, the gate is connected to the signalling system. The signal at the gate will turn red if the gate is open. The station master cannot clear a train to pass unless the gate is closed. And the gatekeeper cannot open the gate until the train passes," he says.

There are other issues with the non-interlocking system as well, and these may not necessarily be the fault of the Railway. Officials say sometimes, people in a tearing hurry even assault gatekeepers for their delay in opening the gate. "One such incident was reported in Mundiyampakkam level crossing in Villupuram district in 2008-09. A closed gate should not be opened at any cost. The locomotive of a train weighs nearly 100 tonnes. If the train had derailed at Semmankuppam, more casualties could have occurred," an official says. Officials say the records and statements of the station master, gatekeeper, loco pilot, and train manager will throw more light on the sequence of events that led to the tragedy.

Unbearable grief

Leaders of various political parties condoled the deaths. Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin announced compensation of ₹5 lakh from the Chief Minister's Relief Fund for the families of the deceased children, ₹1 lakh each for those severely injured, and ₹50,000 each for those with minor injuries. Southern Railway also announced ₹5 lakh compensation for the families of each of the deceased, ₹2.5 lakh for the kin of those grievously injured person, and ₹50,000 for other injured persons.

Meanwhile, Dravidamani's family is in shock, having lost both their children. Rani says Dravidamani, a farmer, had battled against all the odds to ensure that his two children were educated at a private English medium school. Charumathy and Chezhiyan shared a close bond. "Even after coming back from school, they would spend their time together. They rarely went out," she says.

She adds that the siblings were similar in many ways: they were studious, intelligent, and ambitious. "Charumathy stood first in class and won many medals in school. She wanted to pursue an MBBS degree. Chezhiyan wanted to write the civil services exam and become an IAS (Indian Administrative Service) officer," she says.

Rani adds the whole village is shocked by the tragedy and collectively pins the blame on the gatekeeper and the Railways.

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Militants kill nine travellers in Balochistan

The Balochistan Liberation Front (BLF), a banned outfit known for attacking the security forces, claimed responsibility for the gruesome murders.

"We have moved the nine bodies to the hospital for post-mortem and burial procedures," Mr. Alam said.

Security forces suspended traffic on the highway and began a large-scale search operation to locate the perpetrators. Condemning the killing of the nine passengers, Balochistan Chief Minister Mir Sarfaraz Bugti said that the killing of innocents based on identity is an "unforgivable crime".

"The terrorists have proven that they are not human beings, but cowardly beasts. The blood of innocents will not go in vain on the soil of Balochistan. The State will not allow these murderers to hide even underground," he said.

Interior Minister Mohsin Naqvi condemned the incident and said terrorists have shown the worst barbarity by targeting innocent people.

This is not the first time that insurgents have targeted people belonging to the Punjab province and passenger buses plying on different highways in Balochistan.

Meanwhile, insurgents also carried out three other terrorist attacks in Quetta, Loralai and Mastung, but a spokesperson for the Balochistan government, Shahid Rind, claimed security forces repulsed these attacks.

Unconfirmed reports in the Balochistan media claimed that insurgents had struck at several places in the province during the night and engaged security forces by attacking check posts, government installations, police stations, banks, and communication towers.

While Mr. Rind confirmed the attacks, he said there were no reports of casualties in any of them.

Bordering Iran and Afghanistan, Balochistan is home to a long-running violent insurgency.

Baloch insurgent groups frequently carry out attacks targeting security personnel, government projects and the $60 billion China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) projects in this oil and mineral-rich province.

ED conducts fresh searches in 'U.S. donkey route' case

Agency carries out probes at seven locations in Mansa of Punjab along with Kurukshetra and Karnal in Haryana; this follows leads from earlier raids into an alleged human trafficking racket

Devesh K. Pandey
NEW DELHI

On the radar: The United States sent back hundreds of Indian immigrants on a military plane in February. The ED is investigating a money laundering angle linked to illegal immigration. REUTERS

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) on Friday carried out another round of searches in Punjab and Haryana in connection with the U.S. donkey route case involving alleged human trafficking and money laundering.

The searches were conducted at seven locations in Mansa district of Punjab, along with Kurukshetra and Karnal in Haryana.

"This search is based on credible inputs gathered in the previous search operation conducted on July 9 at 11 locations. The inputs show that the second-leg persons/human traffickers were used to arrange illegal route resources outside India in connivance with donkers (human trafficking conduits)," said an official.

Earlier searches were carried out in Amritsar, Sangrur, Patiala and Moga in Punjab, and Ambala, Kurukshetra and Karnal in Haryana.

The operations form part of the ED's probe into the money laundering angle linked to the illegal immigration of individuals deported from the United States in February.

Based on 17 FIRs

The ED investigation is based on 17 first information reports (FIRs) registered by the police in Punjab and Haryana against travel agents, visa agents and middlemen who allegedly defrauded individuals seeking to go abroad.

The accused, as per the allegations, had lured victims with false promises of legal air travel and collected about ₹45-50 lakh from each individual.

"However, the agents used to dupe the innocent persons as they were sent through illegal routes (donkey route) by crossing the borders of many countries illegally through dangerous/jungle routes under the influence of donkers (human trafficking conduits) and the mafia," the agency said.

The ED said the agents, in conspiracy with donkers and other operatives, created threatening circumstances for the victims and their families, coercing them to make additional payments. "Statement of a few deportees were recorded by the ED and further examination of facts revealed names of suspects...," it added.

Earlier this month, the National Investigation Agency (NIA) arrested two alleged donkey route traffickers after conducting searches in Himachal Pradesh and Delhi. The two were reportedly associates of Gagandeep Singh, who was arrested in March.

"Gagandeep was arrested on a complaint of a victim who was illegally trafficked to the U.S. using the infamous 'dunki' route and was deported to India in February this year. The NIA had chargesheeted Gagandeep, a resident of Tilak Nagar in Delhi, in the case on June 27," the agency said.

MPs to seek Bharat Ratna for Dalai Lama, says BJP RS member

Nistula Hebbar
NEW DELHI

The All India Parliamentary Forum for Tibet has garnered support from 80 MPs so far. AP

Parliamentarians across party lines are petitioning the Union government to award the Bharat Ratna, India's highest civilian honour, to the Dalai Lama, who recently celebrated his 90th birthday.

BJP Rajya Sabha member Sujeet Kumar, who is behind the effort by MPs, said the All India Parliamentary Forum for Tibet, of which he is a part, has garnered support from over 80 MPs across party lines and also that of Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister Pema Khandu.

"We haven't handed over the letter yet to the Prime Minister. We are waiting for signatures to cross at least a 100 to do so," he said.

'Nothing contradictory'

Mr. Kumar said he did not find "anything contradictory" in Minority Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju's statement that the Dalai Lama had full rights to recognise his successor through conventions established for the same and the External Affairs Ministry statement that the Government of India did not have a position on the issue.

"There is nothing contradictory about what the Indian government and Kiren Rijiju have said. While Kiren Rijiju has said that it is the Dalai Lama's right to appoint a successor, the Indian government's statement that it doesn't interfere in these matters, means the same," he said.

Mr. Kumar had harsh words for the Chinese government's statement that it was in that government's remit to regulate the choice of successor by the Dalai Lama.

"It is highly ironical that an atheist nation would express such strong opinions on what is purely a religious issue," he said, while adding that the Indian government's stance on not running interference was a correct one and not different from Mr. Rijiju's statement.

Palestinians facing joint attack by Israel and United States, says envoy

Kallol Bhattacherjee
NEW DELHI

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> **ABDULLAH M. ABU SHAWESH**
> Ambassador of Palestine to India

Palestinians in Gaza are facing a joint assault by Israel and the United States, Abdullah M. Abu Shawesh, Ambassador of Palestine to India, said here on Friday. At a press conference, Mr. Abu Shawesh accused Israel of committing genocide and said that the Israeli Defence Forces (IDF) have destroyed two schools and a university library that were built with funding from India.

"Israel is not fighting alone. It is a joint Israel-U.S. war that we are facing in Gaza. Israel is not just killing, it's committing genocide. Israel also has the support of many other Western countries, including the United Kingdom that is also supporting Israel in its killing of innocent people," said Mr. Abu Shawesh.

The remarks from the Palestinian envoy came against the backdrop of growing international concern about the ongoing Israeli military operations in the Gaza Strip that began after the October 2023 Hamas attack on Israeli targets. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu visited Washington DC earlier this week to discuss a ceasefire plan with U.S. President Donald Trump where he also discussed the possibility of transferring Palestinians from Gaza to other countries in the region. Mr. Netanyahu said that Israel was working with the U.S. to get a "better future" for the Palestinians.

Responding to the Israeli plan to transfer Palestinians from Gaza, Mr. Abu Shawesh said, "We had a better future in Palestine before Israel was born. We had our homes, we had our Palestinian passports. I still have the keys to my original house that we lost after the creation of Israel. I think the only way to ensure a better future for the Palestinians is to ensure that Israel obeys international law."

The Palestinian envoy further said that Israelis are targeting the people who are the original inhabitants of Palestine.

"Our people have been living in Palestine even before Prophet Abraham's arrival," said Mr. Abu Shawesh, making a presentation about the rights of the Palestinian people to the historic land of Palestine. He also said the Palestinians had agreed to a two-state solution despite the fact that it was unfair to them as it required them to surrender their right to return to their original homes. "But we agreed as we wanted to live in peace," said the Palestinian envoy.

"Nothing is left in Gaza. The Israelis have destroyed everything. Two schools built with India's assistance have also been destroyed by the IDF," he said, adding that the Jawaharlal Nehru library in the Al Azhar University - Gaza has also been destroyed.

Coast Guard rescues two foreign nationals stranded at sea near Great Nicobar

Saurabh Trivedi
NEW DELHI

ICGS Rajveer safely brought to shoree two American nationals who were stranded in a yacht on Friday. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

The Indian Coast Guard rescued two foreign nationals from a U.S.-registered sailing vessel which was adrift in extremely rough sea conditions due to engine and sail failure in an area south of the Great Nicobar Island.

The Coast Guard said that at 11.57 a.m. on Thursday, the Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre (MRCC) in Port Blair received a distress alert from *Sea Angel*. The yacht, carrying two crew members, a 65-year-old U.S. national and a 70-year-old Turkish national, was disabled amid extremely rough conditions with a blown sail and entangled propeller around 52 nautical miles southeast of Indira Point.

Acting with urgency, the MRCC, Port Blair activated the International Safety Net, alerting all nearby merchant vessels and launching rescue coordination protocols.

Subsequently, the Coast Guard ship *Rajveer* was deployed at 2 p.m. on the day to render immediate assistance, it said. The ship reached the stranded vessel by 5.30 p.m., established communication with the stranded crew, and conducted an on-site assessment.

The Coast Guard said that despite heavy winds and mechanical disablement, the crew was found to be safe and in good health. By 6.50 p.m., the vessel was safely taken under tow and escorted to Campbell Bay in Nicobar district. It reached the harbour at 8 a.m. on Friday.

Trinamool functionary murdered in West Bengal

Shrabana Chatterjee
KOLKATA

A 38-year-old Trinamool Congress functionary was killed at Bhangar village in South Parganas district of West Bengal on Thursday. Two persons have been arrested in connection with the murder.

Blame on ISF

The victim, Rajjak Khan, was an area president of the Trinamool and an associate of party MLA Saokat Molla. The party has blamed the Indian Secular Front (ISF) for the crime.

According to reports, Khan was shot multiple times and his throat was slit. He was killed while returning home from a party meeting.

The incident happened in Chaltaberia area of Bhangar, which comes under the jurisdiction of Kolkata Police.

Rahul pleads not guilty in defamation case in Pune

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PUNE

Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Friday pleaded not guilty in a Pune court in a defamation case regarding his comments on Hindutva ideologue V.D. Savarkar.

Special Judge (MP/MLA court) Amol Sriram Shinde read out the charge, levelled by Satyaki Savarkar, a grandnephew of V.D. Savarkar, to which Mr. Gandhi pleaded not guilty through his lawyer Milind Pawar.

The Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha was not present in the court and his lawyer Mr. Pawar pleaded not guilty on his behalf before the court.

Suvendu urges Bengalis not to visit J&K, draws sharp criticism from Trinamool

Shiv Sahay Singh
KOLKATA

Suvendu Adhikari

Leader of the Opposition in the West Bengal Assembly Suvendu Adhikari's appeal to Bengalis to not visit "Muslim majority" Jammu and Kashmir evoked strong reactions from the Trinamool Congress, which said that the BJP leader was "speaking in the language of terrorists".

"Don't go to the places where Muslims are in majority. If you want to go to Kashmir, go to Jammu. Don't go... They [terrorists] killed people asking about their religion. If you want to go, go to Himachal, we have Devbhoomi Uttarakhand, go to Odisha, the whole country," news agency *ANI* quoted Mr. Adhikari as saying on Friday. In his remarks, Mr. Adhikari had said that he had met the families of residents of West Bengal who were killed by terrorists in Pahalgam over their religion, and that Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah should have also visited the families during his visit to Kolkata.

The remarks by the BJP leader came a day after Mr. Abdullah called on Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee at the State Secretariat on Thursday. Ms. Banerjee, while maintaining that it was the Centre's duty to ensure protection of tourists in J&K, urged the people of the State to visit the Union Territory.

'Echoing terrorists'

Taking to social media, the Trinamool Congress said that by discouraging the people of Bengal from visiting J&K and warning them against travelling to certain tourist areas, "@SuvenduWB has shamelessly echoed the terrorists' agenda. This is exactly the fear they wanted to spread and Suvendu handed them that victory".

The ruling party in West Bengal asked whether Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Home Minister Amit Shah and Minister for External Affairs S. Jaishankar endorse "such undemocratic, unconstitutional, anti-federal, and divisive remarks". Minister Shashi Panja said the BJP leader was endorsing "the narrative of Pakistan and Bangladesh". He wondered if newly-elected State BJP chief Samik Bhattacharya endorses remarks of Mr. Adhikari. Mr. Bhattacharya had said that the BJP's fight is not against minorities.

The Leader of Opposition, who on a regular basis calls for "unity of Hindus" to remove Trinamool from power, had in the past called for doing away with all minority morcha units of the BJP, stating that Muslims do not vote for the party.

Verification of Bengali-speaking labourers continues in Odisha

Satyasundar Barik
BHUBANESWAR

While 403 persons returned, 44 were detained at two centres in Odisha's Jharsuguda district

As many as 44 Bengali-speaking persons continue to remain in custody of the Odisha Police in Jharsuguda district after their documentary proof of Indian nationality failed to convince the police.

According to the police, 403 persons were allowed to return to their workplaces, while 44 were detained in two holding centres in the district.

Fearing detention and the distress it could cause their families, over 150 migrant labourers in neighbouring Sambalpur district have voluntarily approached local police stations to submit documents such as Aadhaar cards, birth certificates, voter ID cards, and even land records to prove their Indian citizenship.

In the aftermath, authorities appear to have scaled back efforts to round up migrant workers in large numbers. However, sporadic detentions continue, most notably in Karanjia subdivision of Mayurbhanj district where workers have reportedly been picked up at random.

Workers are shaken

Many of those previously detained in Jharsuguda remain shaken by the experience. "Most migrant workers come from economically weaker sections. It is extremely difficult to get our documents sent through WhatsApp or delivered physically. The biggest hurdle is the absence of birth certificates, which most of us simply don't have," said one of the released workers.

He recounted the case of a fellow labourer from Murshidabad, West Bengal, who had submitted a land document covering three generations of his family, along with an Aadhaar card. "But because he had married a woman from Bangladesh and was receiving phone calls from the neighbouring country, the police remained unconvinced. He continued to be in custody," he said.

Day after SC order on Bihar's voter list revision, BJP and Congress spar

BJP spokesperson says Congress lacks faith in constitutional institutions; Cong. communication chief says court asking EC to consider voter cards, Aadhaar, ration cards as key documents would save large numbers of voters from being disenfranchised

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

A war of words ensued between the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and the Congress on Friday following the Supreme Court's order on the special intensive revision (SIR) of Bihar's electoral rolls, with the ruling party claiming that the top court's decision to allow the exercise to continue was a setback to the Opposition parties.

Hitting back, the Congress claimed that the court order makes it clear that "no stay was asked for by any of the petitioners", and asserted that the top court asking the Election Commission to consider voter cards, Aadhaar and ration cards as key documents for inclusion in the electoral rolls would save a vast majority of voters from being disenfranchised.

> Both Tejashwi Yadav and Rahul Gandhi should reflect on their actions. The Supreme Court has made it clear that conducting the entire SIR process falls within the constitutional jurisdiction of the EC
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> **GAURAV BHATIA**
> BJP national spokesperson

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> **JAIRAM RAMESH**
> Congress communication chief

BJP national spokesperson Gaurav Bhatia, in a statement, said, "The Supreme Court's observation on the SIR is a strong response to [RJD leader] Tejashwi Yadav and [Congress leader] Rahul Gandhi regarding transparency in the voting process. Tejashwi Yadav must clarify whether he will accept the Supreme Court's verdict or not. Rahul Gandhi must explain why he staged a protest a day before the Supreme Court hearing. This clearly shows that these leaders have no faith in the Supreme Court."

"Parties and leaders who do not respect the Constitution and constitutional institutions will continue to face public backlash. The court has made it clear that conducting the entire SIR process falls within the constitutional jurisdiction of the Election Commission," Mr. Bhatia said.

Congress communication chief Jairam Ramesh said in a post on X, "The Election Commission now has to include the EPIC, Aadhaar cards, and ration cards in the Special Intensive Revision. This will save a vast majority of voters from being disenfranchised."

He added, "Moreover the EC's spin on the no stay being given has been clearly exposed. Page 7 of the order makes it clear that no stay was asked for by any of the petitioners yesterday. Such deliberately misleading headline management does not befit a constitutional authority."

Over 74% of Bihar electors submitted enumeration forms in revision drive: EC

Sreeparna Chakrabarty
NEW DELHI

The Election Commission (EC) on Friday announced that more than 74% of the 7,89,69,844 electors in Bihar had submitted their enumeration forms as part of the ongoing special intensive revision (SIR) of electoral rolls.

"The last date for collection of enumeration forms is July 25," the EC said in an official statement.

In the second phase of the SIR exercise, booth-level officers (BLOs) are undertaking a house-to-house campaign to assist electors and collect filled enumeration forms. Field-level functionaries, including 38 district election officers, electoral registration officers (EROs) covering all 243 Assembly Constituencies, and 963 assistant EROs (AEROs), are supervising the progress, the EC said.

An electoral registration officer giving information to voters in Saran, Bihar, on Thursday.

According to the EC, the digitisation and uploading of the forms are proceeding smoothly. "In line with Para 3(h) of the SIR guidelines, BLOs have successfully digitised and uploaded 3.73 crore enumeration forms through the BLO App/ECINet, out of the total collected so far," the statement said.

The poll panel said that a new module has been implemented in ECINet for verification of the uploaded forms by the AEROs and EROs. "As of 6 p.m. today, 5,87,49,463 enumeration forms – which is 74.39% of the total – have been collected in the last 17 days since the issue of SIR instructions on June 24," the statement added.

It noted that a total of 77,895 BLOs are working on the ground. "Over four lakh volunteers are supporting the elderly, persons with disabilities, the sick, and other vulnerable populations, along with the 1.56 lakh proactive booth-level agents appointed by all recognised political parties," the statement said.

BJP trying to hijack Bihar polls with EC's help: Rahul

Satyasundar Barik
BHUBANESWAR

The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) is trying to hijack the electoral process in the upcoming Bihar Assembly election as it did in Maharashtra, alleged Congress leader Rahul Gandhi, while addressing a public rally in Bhubaneswar on Friday. He further said the Election Commission (EC) acted like a wing of the saffron party.

"Yesterday, I was in Bihar. What we witnessed in Maharashtra, where elections were brazenly stolen, is now being repeated in Bihar. And this time, the EC itself is part of the conspiracy. It is no longer functioning as an independent body. It is working at the behest of the BJP," Mr. Gandhi said.

He went on, "In Maharashtra, between the Lok Sabha and Vidhan Sabha elections, one crore new voters mysteriously appeared. To this day, no one knows who they are or where they came from. We have repeatedly asked the EC to share the voter lists, to provide the videos, but they refuse."

"Now, the same formula is being deployed in Bihar. We will not allow the BJP or the EC to steal the election... We will stand firm to protect democracy," said the Congress leader.

Simultaneous election Bill gives EC unbridled powers; loopholes remain: ex-CJIs

Sobhana K. Nair
NEW DELHI

The Election Commission (EC) has been granted unbridled powers in the legislation for simultaneous polls without providing any oversight clause, two former Chief Justices of India, D.Y. Chandrachud and J.S. Khehar, told the Parliament's Joint Committee reviewing the Bill, on Friday. Both the former CJIs, however, argued that the Bill does not in any way violate the Basic Structure of the Constitution.

While EC gets a wide array of powers, the laws have not prescribed any oversight mechanism to check the EC's powers. FILE PHOTO

The panel headed by BJP MP P.P. Chaudhury is reviewing the Constitution (One hundred and twenty-ninth Amendment) Bill, 2024 and the Union Territories Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2024. Both Justice Chandrachud and Justice Khehar pointed out that while the EC gets a wide array of powers to decide when and whether to hold elections in a State or not, the laws have not prescribed any oversight mechanism to check the EC's powers. In an earlier meeting, former CJI Ranjan Gogoi too had made a similar observation.

Justice Khehar, as per sources, suggested that Parliament or the Union Council of Ministers should have a say in taking the call on holding the election to an Assembly, as envisaged under Section 82A(5) of the Constitution (One hundred and twenty-ninth) Amendment Bill.

The Section in its current form says, "If the Election Commission is of the opinion that the elections to any Legislative Assembly cannot be conducted along with the general election to the House of the People, it may make a recommendation to the President, to declare by an order, that the election to that Legislative Assembly may be conducted at a later date."

'Remaining period'

Both former CJIs flagged the loophole in the provision that says that if a State Assembly's session is cut short, then the elections have to be held for the remainder of the term. Justice Khehar, it is learnt, asked that if the remaining period is only three months or a week, as per the laws in their current form, the elections will have to be held, defeating the very purpose for which these Bills are being brought. Justice Chandrachud, as per sources, also concurred with this view, arguing that Parliament must define the "remaining period". Leaving it undefined will open it to various interpretations and also allow the government an easy way to impose President's Rule.

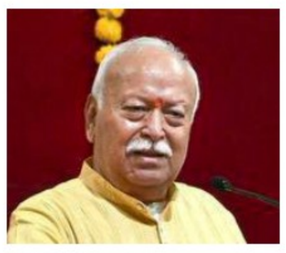
Speaking to presspersons, Mr. Chaudhary said the committee welcomed different kinds of views. "We want members and all stakeholders to have a thorough discussion. Parliament has given us the Bill so that we can improve on it," he said.

Bhagwat's remark on age limit of 75 sparks row; Cong. makes jibe at Modi

Ishita Mishra
NEW DELHI

Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) chief Mohan Bhagwat's recent remarks suggesting that leaders should step aside at the age of 75 have sparked a political controversy, with the Congress and other Opposition parties interpreting it as a veiled message to Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

At the launch of a book on senior RSS leader Moropant Pingle in Nagpur on July 9, Mr. Bhagwat recalled an instance from an RSS meeting in Vrindavan, where Mr. Pingle was felicitated on attaining the age of 75. Mr. Bhagwat said, "I feel that people are not taking me seriously... you gave this shawl to me at the age of 75, but I know its meaning. When a shawl is draped at the age of 75, it means that you have grown old, just move aside, let us do it."



Mohan Bhagwat

Congress MP and general secretary in charge of communications Jairam Ramesh took a swipe at Mr. Modi. "What a homecoming – reminded by the RSS chief upon return [from abroad] that he will turn 75 on September 17," he posted on X. "But the PM could also tell the RSS chief that – he too will turn 75 on September 11! One arrow, two targets."

Denying the claims, a senior RSS functionary told *The Hindu* that the comments were being taken "out of context" and "blown out of proportion".

Preliminary report on Air India crash soon, says Minister

Press Trust of India
MUMBAI

The Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau's (AAIB) preliminary investigation report on the fatal Air India plane crash in Ahmedabad last month is expected very soon, Civil Aviation Minister K. Rammohan Naidu said on Friday. He emphasised that the Ministry was ensuring transparency and accountability in the probe.

On June 12, Air India's Boeing 787-8 aircraft operating flight AI 171 to London Gatwick crashed into a medical hostel complex soon after take-off from Ahmedabad.

"Very soon... AAIB is working on it... it is the responsibility of AAIB, let them do their job," Mr. Naidu said. He was responding to a query on when the preliminary probe report on the Air India aircraft crash was expected to be released. The Ministry was ensuring that transparency and accountability were there in the whole investigation process, he said on the sidelines of a conference here.

Under International Civil Aviation Organisation norms, the AAIB can submit a preliminary report within 30 days of the accident to it.

The Ahmedabad crash was the first time that a Dreamliner or Boeing 787 suffered a fatal accident resulting in hull loss.

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, P.W.D., CIRCLE-JHALAWAR
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Phone No.:- 07432-233336
S.No. :- 340 Date: 02/07/2025
NIT No. 04/2025-26
Notice Inviting Bid
NIB No. PWD2526A1719
Bids for **"Construction of 2 Nos. road work of atal pragati path in dist. jhalawar"** are invited from interested bidders **upto 6.00 PM, Dated 30.07.2025** Other particulars of the bid may be visited on the procurement portal **(http://erpoc.rajasthan.gov.in, http://sppp.raj.nic.in)** of the Rajasthan and **http://pwd.rajasthan.gov.in** website. The approximate value of the procurement is **Rs.777.04 Lacs**.

S. No.	UBN No.	S.No.	UBN No.
1.	PWD2526WSOB06138	2	PWD2526WSOB06139

(Mukesh Chand Meena)
Superintending Engineer
DIPR/C/9379/2025 Public Works Department Circle-Jhalawar

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER PWD CIRCLE RAJSAMAND
File No. 1509 Date: 03.07.2025
Notice Inviting Bid
Bids for Nit No 06/2025-26, (Road, Building & Stadium Works) 10 Nos. are invited from interested bidders upto Date 31.07.2025, 06.00 P.M. Other particulars of the bid may be visited on the procurement portal (http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in, http://sppp.raj.nic.in) of the state. and - departmental website. The approximate value of the procurement is Rs. 1405.11 Lacs.

NIB. No. PWD2526A1730

S. No. of Work	UBN No.	S. No. of Work	UBN No.
1	PWD2526WSOB06180	6	PWD2526WSOB06185
2	PWD2526WSOB06181	7	PWD2526WSOB06187
3	PWD2526WSOB06182	8	PWD2526WSOB06189
4	PWD2526WSOB06183	9	PWD2526WSOB06190
5	PWD2526WSOB06184	10	PWD2526WSOB06191

अधीक्षण अभियंता
DIPR/C/9410/2025 सा.नि.वि. वृत राजसमन्द

Office of Assistant Commissioner Devsthan Department Bikaner
No 02/ RFP/2025-26/1225 Date:16-06-2025
NOTICE INVITING BID (E-BID NOTICE)
Devasthan Department, Government of Rajasthan invites competitive e-bids from eligible bidders for **"Selection of Consultant Agency for Preparation of DPRs and Providing Architectural Supervision Services for Development Works at 7 Temples under Assistant Commiossioner Devsthan Department Bikaner Division (Rajasthan)"**.

UBN No	Estimated value of work (inclusive GST)	Estimated Consultancy Cost 2% of estimated value of work (inclusive GST)	RISL Processing Fee(Rs.)	Bid Document Fee	Bid Security (EMD)	performance security amount 5%
DEV2526S-SRC00046	1.80 Crore	3.60 lakhs	500/-	2000/-	7200/-	18000/-

Detailed Bid Document for the Work can be downloaded from procurement portal www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in, www.sppp.rajasthan.gov.in and https://devasthan.rajasthan.gov.in/Tenders.asp. All further updates will be available only on www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in, therefore, interested parties are advised to visit the website regularly.
Last Date of submission of Bid is 21-07-2025 upto 06:00 PM.
Gorav Soni
Assistant Commissioner,
DIPR/C/9423/2025 Devasthan Department Bikaner Rajasthan

TIRUMALA TIRUPATI DEVASTHANAMS : TIRUPATI
MARKETING DEPARTMENT e-Procurement Tender Notice
e-Tenders are invited for supply of following items to the Marketing Department, T.T.Devasthanams. For Tender notice and tender details log on to the web site **http://www.tirumala.org** and **https://tender.apeprocurement.gov.in**. For further details contact phone numbers: **0877-2264079, 2264555, FAX No: 0877-2264554.**

Sl.No.	Quantity and Name of the Item
1	2,70,000 Kgs of Dried Grapes
2	7,200 Kgs of Asafoetida Powder
3	9,500 kgs of Almonds
4	75,000 Kgs of Cashew Splits 'S' grade
5	3,600 Kgs of Instant Coffee Powder chicory mixture (1/2 kg packet only)

TTD-40021/10/2025-PRO SEC (Adv.No.131), Date:11-07-2025 EXECUTIVE OFFICER

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
PUBLIC HEALTH & MUNICIPAL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT
'e'Procurement Notice
(Notice Inviting Tender)
'e'Proc. Notice No.08/SE/PH/UIDF/Wgl/NIT/2025-26/353 Dt:10-07-2025
1) Water Supply Improvement Scheme in Ramagundam Municipal Corporation under UIDF Funding - **Rs.88.90 Crores.** 2) Water Supply Improvement Scheme in Palvancha Municipality under UIDF Funding - **Rs.55.00 Crores.** Bid Download start date: **14-07-2025** and End Date: **29-07-2025.** Further details can be seen @ e-procurement market place i.e., **www.tender.telangana.gov.in** and for any further clarifications required, please contact office of the Superintending Engineer, P.H. Circle,Warangal.
Sd/- Superintending Engineer,
DIPR R.O.No.4867-PP/CL/ADVT/1/2025-26 Dt. 11.07.2025 P.H. Circle, Warangal.

OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL S.M.S. MEDICAL COLLEGE & CONTROLLER OF THE ATTACHED HOSPITALS, JAIPUR
No-F/MC/Store/2025-26/3258-61 Dated:- 04/07/2025
Notice Inviting Bid
BID for Hiring of Manpower on job basis services at various destinations of SMS Medical College, Jaipur., are invited from interested bidders up to 15.07.2025 at 11:00 AM. Other particulars of the bid may be visited on the procurement portal (http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in, https://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in) of the state; and SMS Medical College, Jaipur department website.
UBN 5MS2526SLRC00174
DIPR/C/9502/2025 PRINCIPAL & CONTROLLER

PUNJAB STATE WAREHOUSING CORPORATION
SCO 74-75, BANK SQUARE, SECTOR-17B CHANDIGARH
PBX: 0172-5197847, 5197846
NOTICE INVITING TENDER
PSWC invites online tenders through GeM Portal for creation of 4.10 LMT godown capacities in the State of Punjab for guaranteed lease of 10 years on Build, Own and Lease basis for storage requirements of FCI under two bid system 'Technical Bid' and 'Financial Bid'.
NIT (alongwith GeM Bid IDs) is available on Department's website i.e.https://pswc.in
Note: Any corrigendum(s)/Notification(s) to this Notice Inviting E-Tender shall be published Department's website & GeM Portal.
1004/12/2025-26/1082

KOLKATA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION e-TENDER
ABRIDGED NIT
The Director General (Planning and Development Department), KMC invites e-tender/quotation online expression of interest of lower bidder for the following work:
NIT No. : KMC/D.G.(P_D)/C/001-1/2025-26 (2nd Call), DATED: 15.07.2025
Name of the work: **"Rehabilitation/Refurbishment of Brick Sewer from Moulali to Palmer's Bridge Pumping Station".** Estimated value: **Tender amount to be quoted by the bidder.** Earnest money: ₹ **10,00,000.00.** Period of completion: **24 months.** Date & time of pre-bid meeting: **22.07.2025 - 3.30 P.M. (Place of meeting: Office of the Director General (P&D), KMC, 19, Nellie Sengupta Sarani, Kolkata-700087).** Bid submission start date (online) on: **29.07.2025 - 3.30 P.M.** Last date and time of submission of bid: **30.08.2025 - 3.30 P.M.** The bid forms and other details are available on and from **15.07.2025 (5.30 P.M.)** from the website **https://etender.wb.nic.in** (625/25-26)

भारत सरकार/Government of India
अंतरिक्ष विभाग/Department of Space
अंतरिक्ष भवन/Antariksh Bhavan
न्यू बीईएल रोड/New BEL Road
बंगलुरु/Bangalore – 560 094
इसरो ISRO
सं. डीएस_4वीएल-14012/12/2023-अनुभाग_4-अंतरिक्ष विभाग
No. DS_4VL-14012/12/2023-Section_4-DOS 12 जुलाई/July, 2025
ज्ञापन/MEMORANDUM
जबकि राष्ट्रपति, श्री सिद्धार्थ नुनिया, एससी सं. वीएस 36721, वैज्ञानिक/इंजीनियर-एसडी, कंप्यूटर/सीआइटीजी/एमएसए, वीएसएससी के खिलाफ निम्नलिखित आरोपों पर अंतरिक्ष कर्मचारी विभाग (वर्गीकरण, नियंत्रण एवं अपील) नियमावली, 1976 के नियम 11 के अधीन जांच करवाने का प्रस्ताव रखते हैं:
WHEREAS the President proposes to hold an inquiry against Shri Sidharth Nunia, SC No. VS36721, Scientist/Engineer-SD, COM/CITG/MSA, VSSC under Rule 11 of the Department of Space Employees' (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1976 on the following charges:
अनुच्छेद-I/ARTICLE - I
ड्यूटी के लिए रिपोर्ट करने की सलाह देते हुए वीएसएससी, तिरुवनंतपुरम द्वारा बार-बार सूचनाएं जारी की जाने के बावजूद, श्री सिद्धार्थ नुनिया, एससी सं.वीएस 36721, वैज्ञानिक/इंजीनियर-एसडी, कंप्यूटर/सीआइटीजी/एमएसए, वीएसएससी, दिनांक 10.01.2023 से ड्यूटी पर अप्राधिकृत रूप से अनुपस्थित रहते आ रहे हैं। सीसीएस (आचरण) नियमावली, 1964 के नियम 3(1) (ii) तथा (iii) का उल्लंघन करते हुए अप्राधिकृत रूप से एवं जानबूझकर ड्यूटी पर अनुपस्थित रहना ड्यूटी के प्रति निष्ठा का अभाव दिखानेवाला गंभीर दुराचार है तथा सीसीएस (छुट्टी) नियमावली, 1972 के नियम 7(1) का भी उल्लंघन है।
Shri Sidharth Nunia, SC No. VS36721, Scientist/Engineer-SD, COM/CITG/MSA, VSSC has been absenting from duty unauthorizedly with effect from 10.01.2023 despite issue of repeated communications by VSSC, Thiruvananthapuram advising him to report for duty. Unauthorized and willful absence from duty is a serious misconduct exhibiting lack of devotion to duty violating Rule 3(1) (ii) & (iii) of CCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 and also in violation of Rule 7(1) of CCS (Leave) Rules, 1972.
अनुच्छेद-II/ARTICLE - II
श्री सिद्धार्थ नुनिया, एससी सं वीएस 36721, वैज्ञानिक/इंजीनियर-एसडी, कंप्यूटर/सीआइटीजी/एमएसए, वीएसएससी को बिना अनुमति के कार्यस्थल छोड़ने की आदत है और वे दिनांक 01.02.2022 से दिनांक 09.01.2023 की अवधि के दौरान, बिना किसी पूर्व सूचना के और बिना छुट्टी की मंजूरी के, अप्राधिकृत रूप से समय-समय पर ड्यूटी पर अनुपस्थित रहे। उपरोक्त कार्यों से श्री सिद्धार्थ नुनिया, वैज्ञानिक/इंजीनियर-एसडी के रूप में अपने कर्तव्यों और ज़िम्मेदारियों के संबंध में प्रायः उपेक्षापूर्ण रहे तथा उन्होंने ड्यूटी के प्रति निष्ठा का अभाव भी दिखाया एवं सरकारी सेवक के लिए अशोभनीय रीति में कार्य किया जो नियम 3(1) (ii) और (iii) के अनुसार दुराचार है।
Shri Sidharth Nunia, SC No. VS36721, Scientist/Engineer-SD, COM/CITG/MSA, VSSC is in the habit of deserting the workplace without permission and remained intermittently absent from duty unauthorizedly without any prior intimation and without sanction of leave during the period 01.02.2022 to 09.01.2023. By the above acts, Shri Sidharth Nunia remained habitually negligent in respect of his duties and responsibilities as Scientist/Engineer-SD and also exhibited lack of devotion to duty and acted in a manner unbecoming of a Government Servant, which constitutes misconduct as per Rule 3(1) (ii) & (iii)."
और जबकि आरोपों की मदें, दुराचार के दोषारोपण का बयान, दस्तावेजों की सूची और गवाहों की सूची रखते हुए पंजीकृत डाक द्वारा देय पावती के साथ उनके निवासीय पते पर भेजा गया दिनांक 24.07.2024 का ज्ञापन सं. डीएस_4वीएल-14012/12/2023-धारा_4-अंतरिक्ष विभाग डाक प्राधिकारियों द्वारा उनको सुपुर्द किया गया था, लेकिन बार-बार कोशिश करने के बावजूद, ज्ञापन की प्राप्ति सूचित करनेवाली डाक पावती पर्ची इस कार्यालय में प्राप्त नहीं हुई।
AND WHEREAS the Memorandum No. DS_4VL-14012/12/2023-Section_4-DOS dated 24.07.2024 containing the Articles of Charges, statement of imputation of misconduct, list of documents and list of witnesses sent to his residential address through registered post with acknowledgment due was delivered to him by the postal authorities, but the postal acknowledgment slip indicating the receipt of Memorandum was not received in the Office, despite repeated attempts.
अब, इसलिए श्री सिद्धार्थ नुनिया को निदेश दिया जाता है कि वे इस सूचना के प्रकाशन के 10 दिनों के अंदर अपनी बचाव हेतु लिखित बयान प्रस्तुत करें और यह बताएं कि क्या वे वैयक्तिक रूप में उपस्थित होकर बयान देना चाहते हैं। यदि विनिर्दिष्ठ तिथि तक या उससे पहले वे लिखित बयान प्रस्तुत नहीं करते हैं या जांच प्राधिकारी के समक्ष उपस्थित नहीं होते हैं या नियम 11 के प्रावधानों का तन्नैव अनुपालन करने में असफल रहते हैं/करने से मना करते हैं तो जांच प्राधिकारी उनके खिलाफ एकपक्षीय रूप से जांच करवाएं।
Now, therefore, Shri Sidharth Nunia is directed to submit within 10 days of publication of this notice a written statement of his defense and to state whether he desires to be heard in person. If he does not submit the written statement on or before the specified date or does not appear in person before the inquiring authority or fails/refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 11 ibid, the Inquiry Authority may hold the inquiry against him ex-parte.
(डॉ.गौतमी सुदर्शन / Dr. Gautami Sudarsan)
भारत सरकार का उप सचिव/Deputy Secretary to the Government of India

INBRIEF

Union Home Secretary's tenure extended till Aug. 2026

Union Home Secretary Govind Mohan's tenure has been extended till August 22, 2026, a government order said on Friday. Mr. Mohan, a 1989-batch Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer, was to retire on September 30. The Sikkim cadre officer was appointed Home Secretary last year, and he assumed office on August 23, 2024. He was serving as Culture Secretary before his present assignment. A Home Secretary's tenure is typically for two years.

DRDO, IAF successfully test indigenous Astra missile

The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and the Indian Air Force (IAF) successfully conducted the flight-test of the indigenous beyond visual range air-to-air missile (BVRAAM) 'Astra', equipped with indigenous radio frequency seeker, from an Su-30 fighter jet off the coast of Odisha on Friday. According to the Union Ministry of Defence, two launches were carried out against high-speed unmanned aerial targets at different ranges, target aspects and launch platform conditions. In both cases, the missiles destroyed the targets with pin-point accuracy. All subsystems performed as expected, the Ministry said.

Structural failure blamed for Vadodara bridge collapse

Initial probe points to 'pedestal and articulation crushing'; toll rises to 20, search to continue to locate one missing person; officials take steps to prevent leakage from sunken chemical tanker

Abhinay Deshpande
VADODARA

As the death toll in the Mahisagar river bridge collapse in Gujarat's Vadodara district rose to 20 on Friday, the Gujarat government said the incident occurred due to structural failure.

One of the injured, Narendrasinh Ratansinh Parmar from Dahivan village in Borsad taluk, died on Friday, while another body was recovered in the evening, as the third day of the search operation came to a close.

The search will resume on Saturday morning, as one person remains unaccounted for, officials said.

During his visit to the accident site, State Health Minister and official spokesperson Rushikesh Patel said a high-level probe was being conducted by the Roads and Buildings (R&B) Department. "As per the committee's initial findings, the collapse occurred due to pedestal and articulation crushing," he said.

Gruesome tragedy: Rescue personnel recover another body from the Mahisagar river on Friday. VIJAY SONEJI

The Minister further said the committee would submit a comprehensive report within 30 days, covering both technical and administrative aspects of the tragedy. "The report will be handed over to the Chief Minister, based on which further decisions will be taken," he said.

Four suspended

In response to initial findings of negligence, the State government suspended four officials from the R&B Department on Thursday. "The government will not hesitate to take further necessary measures," Mr. Patel said.

Several vehicles fell into the river after a portion of the four-decade-old bridge connecting Anand and Vadodara districts collapsed near Gambhira village, close to Padra town, on the morning of July 9.

Vadodara Collector Anil Dhameliya, who is supervising the ongoing search operation, told *The Hindu* that 19 bodies had been recovered so far."The rescue teams are facing several obstacles, including muddy conditions of the river bed and the presence of soda ash leaking from a tanker that fell into the river."

He added that another tanker transporting sulphuric acid too had plunged into the river, and precautions are being taken to prevent any leakage. The soda ash has also been causing skin irritation and itching in rescue workers, he said.

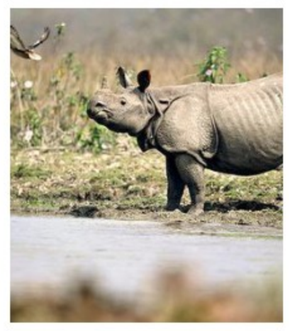
The Gujarat Congress has accused the BJP-led State government of inaction, claiming it ignored a warning issued in 2022 by a district panchayat member regarding the poor condition of the bridge and the need to shut it down for vehicular movement.

Leader of the Congress Legislature Party in the Assembly, Amit Chavda, called for public disclosure of inspection reports and fitness certificates of all bridges across the State, and said people have the right to know which ones are unsafe.

The Gambhira bridge collapse is the latest in a series of similar incidents in Gujarat, with at least six such cases reported since 2021.

Genetic analysis of Assam rhino horn samples initiated

The Hindu Bureau
GUWAHATI



Genetic samples were collected from 2,573 rhino horns during the process.

A specialised team has initiated the genetic analysis of samples collected from 2,573 rhino horns, most of which were destroyed by the Assam Forest Division four years ago.

The team, notified by the State's Chief Wildlife Warden, verified and segregated the stored samples at Kaziranga from July 3 to 8 and repackaged them in small vials to be transported to the genetic laboratory in Dehradun's Wildlife Institute of India (WII) for DNA analysis.

A total of 2,623 horns stored in various treasuries in Assam were verified and reconciled for mass destruction. Barring those with some uniqueness and those implicated in court cases, 2,479 horns were consigned to the flames on September 22, 2021.

During the process, tiny samples were retained from the horns to undertake studies expected to aid better management of the current rhino population. Excluding 50 horns involved in legal battles, samples were collected from 2,573 horns.

"The entire technical process of repackaging was recorded and observed by independent experts," a forest official said.

The WII's genetics laboratory is central to the RhoDIS (Rhino DNA Index System) India programme under the supervision of Samrat Mondol. This analysis aims to document the individual DNA profiles of the rhino horn and add them to the RhoDIS India DNA data library. "Further analysis will help identify if any changes have taken place to the short tandem repeat (a specific type of DNA sequence) allele frequency over the years," the official said.

India to host manuscript heritage conference

Sreeparna Chakrabarty
NEW DELHI

India will host the first international Manuscript Heritage Conference in September, which will be attended by global scholars, thought leaders, and cultural custodians.

The three-day conference, titled "Reclaiming India's knowledge legacy through manuscript heritage", is being organised from September 11 to 13 in the national capital as part of the launch of the "Gyan Bharatam Mission".

The conference will also commemorate Swami Vivekananda's Chicago address (September 11, 1893), symbolising India's intellectual and spiritual global vision, official sources said.

There will be numerous side events such as an exhibition on Indian manuscripts, one on manuscripts inscribed in the UNESCO Memory of the World, live demonstrations, and workshops.

Shukla makes the most of final days in orbit ahead of Ax-4 mission's undocking

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

With the undocking of the Axiom Mission 4 (Ax-4) from the International Space Station scheduled to take place no earlier than 4.35 p.m. (IST) on July 14, Indian astronaut Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla continued his experiments aboard the orbiting laboratory.

Axiom Space said the crew was making the most of its final days in orbit, pushing forward a wide range of experiments that could shape the future of space exploration and improve life on earth.

It also said Group Captain Shukla worked on the microalgae experiment, deploying and stowing samples that could one day provide food, oxygen, and biofuels for deep space missions.

"Their resilience makes them a promising asset for sustaining life beyond Earth," Axiom Space said.

Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla and his crew members during a science briefing. AXIOM SPACE

Group Captain Shukla and the crew also continued the Voyager Displays study, which examines how spaceflight affects eye movement and coordination.

The crew collected data for the ENPERCHAR study, exploring how astronauts perceive and interact with their environment in orbit – critical for designing mentally supportive habitats for long-duration missions.

"Another study focused on cerebral blood flow, investigating how microgravity and elevated CO_2 levels affect cardiovascular function, which could later benefit both astronauts and patients on earth. Radiation exposure was monitored using the compact Rad Nano Dosimeter, a tool for assessing astronaut safety," Axiom Space explained.

Maratha fort systems get UNESCO heritage tag

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

'Maratha Military Landscapes', representing extraordinary fortification and military system envisioned by the Maratha rulers, was on Friday inscribed on the coveted UNESCO World Heritage List, the UN body announced in a post on X.

The decision was taken during the ongoing 47th session of the World Heritage Committee (WHC) being held in Paris. "New inscription on the @UNESCO #WorldHeritage List: Maratha Military Landscapes of India, #India," UNESCO said. The nomination for the UNESCO tag was for the 2024-25 cycle.

Its 12 components are – Salher Fort, Shivneri Fort, Lohgad, Khanderi Fort, Raigad, Rajgad, Pratapgad, Suvarnadurg, Panhala Fort, Vijay Durg, and Sindhudurg in Maharashtra, and Gingee Fort in Tamil Nadu.

Odisha tribal couple yoked to plough and forced to till field as punishment

Satyasundar Barik
BHUBANESWAR

Disturbing visuals of the incident in Kangaramjodi village went viral on social media sites

A man and a woman were forced to plough a field with a yoke tied around their shoulder after being accused by villagers of engaging in a relationship deemed taboo in Rayagada district of Odisha.

The incident occurred a few days ago in Kangaramjodi village under Sikarapai panchayat in Kalyansinghpur block. However, it came to light only after disturbing visuals of the incident went viral on social media.

Located in the Niyamgiri hill range, Kangaramjodi is a remote village where residents have only recently begun to come into contact with modern influences.

While there had long been rumours of a relationship between the man and his paternal aunt, they were reportedly caught in a compromising position, which provoked the anger of fellow villagers.

Series of meetings

Members of the tribal community convened a series of meetings to decide the punishment for what they perceived as a grave offence. "After much deliberation, it was decided that the couple would be subjected to the 'plough punishment' – a traditional form of justice in our community. Had we pardoned them for such blasphemy, our deity would have cursed the village," Biswanath Kurshika, a village elder, told reporters.

As part of the punishment, villagers performed rituals typically reserved for the dead – a symbolic gesture to mark the social banishment of the couple. Community members also took ritual baths to "purify" themselves.

A symbolic plough was then fashioned, and the couple were yoked together and beaten with sticks, mimicking the act of traditional tilling.

Eventually, the couple were permanently expelled from the village and handed a token amount of ₹1,000. Their current whereabouts remain unknown.

The Rayagada district administration said it would initiate an inquiry into the incident after reports of the inhuman treatment surfaced.

Recently, around 40 members of a tribal family in Rayagada district had their heads tonsured after a girl married a man from a different caste.

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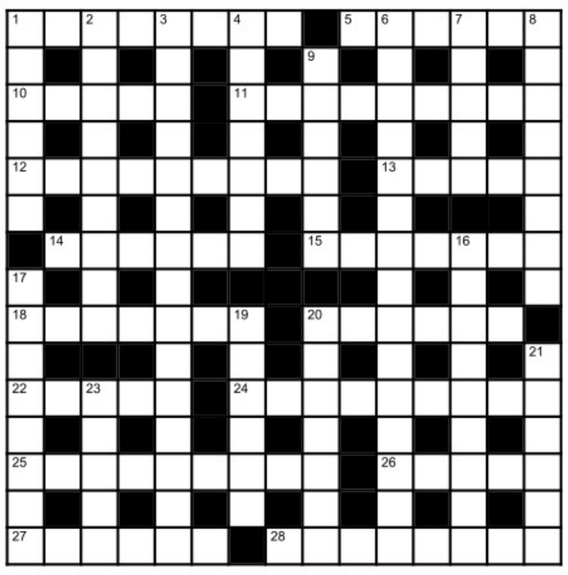

Across

1 Unstable scoundrel interrupts popular show (8)
5 Twisted and tap-danced on vacation after consuming alcoholic drink (6)
10 Cobra discovered in tree (5)
11 Youth eating jelly-like substance on date in outdoor restaurant (3,6)
12 Compound of nitrite is causing eye problem (9)
13 Pastry with rum at centre in Estonian city (5)
14 Gemstones stolen by scallywag at estate (6)
15 Female reviewed order for resinous substance (7)
18 Fish eggs after eating supreme variety of lettuce (7)
20 Most basic pub on English street (6)
22 Dream about maiden on island in American city (5)
24 Inform head of university - iodine found in strange chemical element (9)
25 Where kite might be under one's control (2,1,6)
26 Affair in flat with model (5)
27 Blackmail old tenor entertaining degenerate in retreat (6)
28 Baron supports musicians (8)

Down

1 Staid car dealer checking driving license, say (2,4)
2 Spring to grab rogue beginning to attack girl in plot (9)
3 Member of government in centre, a bit agitated about short skirts (7,8)
4 Rolls hash at store (7)
6 Controlling anger, treat shrew artfully to be dominant partner in marriage (4,3,8)
7 India loses ultimately, Kohli run out for zero (5)
8 Criticise fool apprehending retired individual (8)
9 Makes posh suits, clothes (6)
16 Power tussle in Congress finally resolved (9)
17 Lad endlessly captivated by mentor playing musical instrument (8)
19 Need twist in tale (6)
20 Retired aristocrat penning journal about Italian city (7)
21 Acts theatrically to seem dynamic (6)
23 Sailor's command - start to abandon Titanic (5)

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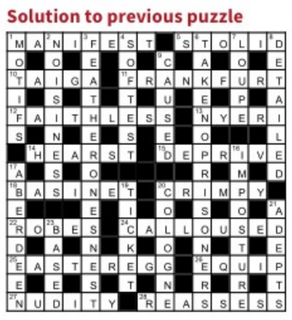

Solution to yesterday's Sudoku

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FAITH

The power of Rama nama

When one of his assistants wondered why Yama was downcast, the Lord of Death responded, "My job appears to be at stake now in Kali Yuga. People are beginning to chant Rama nama and gaining direct access to heaven," he replied, highlighting the power of Rama's name, said Suchitra Balasubramanian.

There is nothing greater than chanting Lord Rama's name. One has to only look at the lives of saints like Bhadrachala Ramadasu, who not only embraced Rama nama as a way of life but also lead a principled life. From his early years he was a true devotee of Rama, and desired to be initiated by Kabirdas, the legendary devotee, who was himself initiated on the steps of Kedar Ghat one night. Kabirdas was keen to receive the Rama mantra from the great Ramananda. To this end, he visited the mahan's ashram every day and begged to be taken to Ramananda's presence in order to place his request. However, the servitors of the ashram rudely turned him away every time.

Ramananda, realising that a devotee was being driven away from his gate every day, ventured out the very night he came to know of it. Meanwhile, Kabirdas, turned away cruelly, curled up on one of the stairs of the ghat, his mind and heart yearning for Rama mantra. Ramananda, drawn to the same steps in the same ghat, unwittingly stepped on Kabir Das, and exclaimed, "Siya Ram". Kabirdas quickly got to his feet and humbly thanked Ramananda, saying he had been waiting to see him and receive the powerful 'Rama Rameti' Mantra. God always responds to those who truly seek His grace, with full faith, as experienced by Kabirdas.

INBRIEF

Net direct tax collections down 1.3% on higher refunds

The Centre's net direct tax collections up to July 10 have come in lower than in the same period of the previous financial year, according to official data. The data shows that gross collections grew by 3.2% in this financial year up to July 10 to ₹6.6 lakh crore, compared with the year-ago period. However, refunds grew by 38%, which meant the net collections, which are the Centre's collections after paying refunds, were lower.

Tesla to mark formal India entry with Mumbai launch

Tesla will open its first India showroom in Mumbai next week, marking its entry into the world's third-largest car market despite CEO Elon Musk's complaints about high import tariffs. In an invitation to the media, the carmaker said the July 15 event was the "launch of Tesla in India through the opening of the Tesla experience centre at Bandra Kurla Complex," in the city's leading commercial business district. REUTERS

INOX Clean Energy targets ₹6,000-crore IPO, files papers

INOX Clean Energy has confidentially filed draft papers with markets regulator SEBI to raise ₹6,000 crore through an initial public offering (IPO), according to industry sources. This could potentially become the largest Indian IPO in the clean energy and renewables sector. With a proposed equity dilution of over 10%, the company is targeting a market capitalisation of around ₹50,000 crore, they added. PTI

Glenmark gains on U.S arm, AbbVie pact for cancer drug

Glenmark Pharmaceuticals shares gained 14.51% to close at ₹2,181.55 each on Friday following the June 10 exclusive licensing agreement between subsidiary Ichnos Glenmark Innovation Inc (IGI) and NYSE-listed AbbVie for investigational asset ISB 2001. IGI will receive an upfront payment of $700 million and is eligible to receive up to $1.225 billion in development, regulatory, and commercial milestone payments.

TCS stock fell 3.5% as earnings miss estimates and salary hikes deferred

The Hindu Bureau
MUMBAI

Tata Consultancy Services' (TCS) stock fell 3.5% to ₹3,264.50 on Friday following the IT major missing its quarterly net profit estimates and deferring salary hikes.

TCS's decision to defer hikes owing to uncertain business environment and rising costs may have also added to the stock's dip.

TCS reported 6% growth in net profit at ₹12,760 crore over the year-ago period in the quarter ended June 30 of fiscal 2026. Weak revenue in both domestic and global market were cited as the reason behind the slowdown in profit growth.

Moreover, the management is also learnt to have shelved the decision regarding a salary hike, which usually happens in the June quarter.

"First quarter salary hikes has never been deferred before in TCS but two of the top five IT firms did defer it last year. This is only for across the board hike. Variable salary is being given to those people who performed well," said Sandeep Gogia, Managing Director at Equiris Securities.

"I believe what they are waiting for is at least a certainty in this specific point and I think they did allude that somewhere around end of July or end of August, where they see that there should be some certainty as far as the tariff things are concerned," said Sushovon Nayak, Research Analyst, Anand Rathi Institutional Equities.

He added that with the current Chief of Human Resources Milind Lakkad resigning, the company might want to include the new entrant's input in deciding the salary hike.

Centre earmarks ₹500 crore for electric truck purchases

Incentive under PM E-DRIVE scheme offers buyers ₹9.6 lakh per vehicle as upfront reduction in purchase price; scheme to cover 5,600 e-trucks and a fifth for vehicles registered in Delhi

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Centre on Friday unveiled a scheme to provide financial incentives for purchase of electric trucks under the PM E-Drive initiative, where a sum of ₹500 crore has been set aside for 5,600 electric trucks. Of this financial outlay, a fifth is dedicated for vehicles registered in Delhi.

The sum of ₹500 crore is within the total outlay of ₹10,500 crore for the PM E-drive scheme, which came into effect in October 2024 for a period of two years to support the shift to electric mobility in the country.

The scheme for e-trucks offers a maximum incentive set at ₹9.6 lakh per vehicle. The incentive will depend on the gross vehicle weight of the electric truck

H.D. Kumaraswamy . PTI

and will cover those above 3.5 tonnes and up to 12 tonnes of weight (N2 category), and trucks weighing between 12 tonnes and up to 55 tonnes.

These incentives will be offered as an upfront reduction in the purchase price and reimbursed to OEMs via the PM E-DRIVE portal on a first-come, first-serve basis, the Ministry of Heavy Industries said in a press statement.

To receive the incentive, the manufacturer will have to provide warranties for battery for a period of five years or 5 lakh kilometres, and for the vehicle and motor for a period of five years and 2.5 lakh kilometres.

To qualify for the incentives, the scrapping of old, polluting trucks is also mandatory.

A dedicated provision for 1,100 e-trucks registered in Delhi has also been made at an estimated cost of ₹100 crore within this scheme in order to address the capital's air quality challenges.

"This pioneering scheme, represents India's first dedicated support for electric trucks," said Minister for Heavy Industries H.D. Kumaraswamy.

"The FAME scheme did not have any component on electric trucks and this scheme is the first time that the government is launching a customer-facing electric truck scheme in which we are directly encouraging the customers to purchase electric trucks by providing them a reasonable subsidy, so that this movement can be driven from demand side as well as supply side," said Secretary in the Heavy Industries Ministry Kamran Rizvi.

Friday's announcement is within the framework of the PM E Drive scheme approved by the Cabinet in September last year. The scheme for promotion of electric mobility in the country has an outlay of ₹10,900 crore over a period of two years. It lays down subsidies or demand incentives worth ₹3,679 crore for electric two-wheelers, three-wheelers, ambulances, e-trucks and other emerging EVs.

(With PTI inputs)

Pharmexcil seeks time to comply with online submission for COPP

The Hindu Bureau
'HYDERABAD

'Regulations must balance between maintaining stringent quality standards and facilitating trade'

Pharma exporters body Pharmexcil has appealed to the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) and the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to defer a proposal to only permit applications on ONDLS portal for certificate of pharmaceutical product (COPP) from July 15.

Regulatory policies must strike a balance between maintaining stringent quality standards and being trade-facilitative, Pharmaceuticals Export Promotion Council of India Director General K. Raja Bhanu said.

"Exporters are now burdened with a dual regulatory bottleneck - domestically through CDSCO's NOC/new drug classification delays and internationally due to slower regulatory submissions and approvals abroad, Mr.Bhanu said in a release.

West Bengal gears up for rare earth mining in Purulia district

Press Trust of India
KOLKATA

West Bengal is set to join India's rare earth mining map with the Geological Survey of India (GSI) conducting advanced exploration in Purulia district, a senior official said.

Although the rare earth deposit in Purulia is relatively small, the development is significant as India looks to reduce dependence on imports of critical minerals essential for electric vehicles (EVs), electronics, and renewable energy technologies.

"G2-level exploration is underway in two blocks - one in Karbi Anglong district of Assam and the other in Purulia, West Bengal," GSI Director General Asit Saha said on the sidelines of a conclave.

He added that these blocks are expected to be ready for auction within a year. The G2 stage represents an advanced level of exploration, providing a fairly high degree of confidence in the resource estimation. Upon completion, the findings will be submitted to the respective state mines departments and the Union Ministry of Mines for further action.

MARKETS

MARKET WATCH

	FRIDAY	% CHANGE
Sensex	82,500	-0.83
US Dollar	85.80	-0.11
Gold	99,370	0.70
Brent oil	70.36	2.47

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	PRICE	CHANGE
Adani Enter	2558.70	-22.30
Adani Ports	1431.70	-11.40
Apollo Hosp	7189.50	-169.50
Asian Paints	2439.20	-12.00
Axis Bank	1173.80	9.50
Bajaj Auto	8067.00	-218.00
Bajaj Finserv	2017.20	-22.20
Bajaj Finance	933.50	-14.15
Bharat Elec	409.30	-4.20
Bharti Airtel	1921.90	-42.60
Cipla	1485.00	7.20
Coal India	380.95	-3.10
Dr Reddys Lab	1254.70	-7.90
Eicher Motors	5612.50	-39.50
Eternal Ltd.	263.35	0.50
Grasim Ind	2762.00	-13.10
HCL Tech	1638.30	-25.40
HDFC Bank	1983.70	-22.50
HDFC Life	759.00	-12.25
Hero MotoCorp	4218.70	-102.60
Hindalco	670.95	-4.10
Hind Unilever	2519.60	111.20
ICICI Bank	1421.90	-2.20
IndusInd Bank	858.85	6.00
Infosys	1594.90	-20.90
ITC	416.80	-0.05
Jio Financial Services Ltd.	325.80	-5.85
JSW Steel	1037.20	-6.10
Kotak Bank	2220.60	16.80
L&T	3540.60	-34.10
M&M	3073.20	-89.20
Maruti Suzuki	12574.00	-76.00
NestleIndia	2403.50	2.10
NTPC	342.70	1.25
ONGC	241.76	-1.33
PowerGrid Corp	298.55	-0.70
Reliance Ind	1495.20	-22.00
SBI Life	1835.20	25.00
State Bank	808.65	0.65
Shriram Finance Ltd.	668.25	-3.50
Sun Pharma	1672.00	9.50
TataConsumerProduct	1076.80	-12.10
Tata Motors	681.80	-13.80
Tata Steel	159.84	-0.82
TCS	3266.00	-116.00
Tech Mahindra	1602.50	2.40
Titan	3361.60	-58.20
Trent Ltd.	5364.00	-67.00
UltraTech Cement	12495.00	-21.00
Wipro	258.30	-6.75

EXCHANGE RATES

Indicative direct rates in rupees a unit except yen at 4 p.m. on July 11

CURRENCY	TT BUY	TT SELL
US Dollar	85.60	85.92
Euro	100.13	100.50
British Pound	115.85	116.28
Japanese Yen (100)	58.30	58.52
Chinese Yuan	11.94	11.99
Swiss Franc	107.57	107.99
Singapore Dollar	66.91	67.16
Canadian Dollar	62.51	62.77
Malaysian Ringitt	20.11	20.23
Australian Dollar	56.40	56.62

Source:Indian Bank

'No bubble in Gurugram housing mkt'

The Gurugram housing market is witnessing high demand from end-users as well as investors and there is no undue "speculation", Signature Global Chairman Pradeep Kumar Aggarwal said on Friday.

Smarter, faster, stronger: how Artificial Intelligence is transforming the manufacturing landscape

The Hindu Bureau

A survey found 44% of manufacturing leaders were cautious about scaling generative AI

Step inside a modern factory and you might find something quietly extraordinary. Machines no longer wait to fail; they signal in advance. Robots don't just repeat tasks; they adapt and respond. And decisions once made on instinct are now driven by real-time data.

This is the new face of manufacturing, where artificial intelligence (AI) is not just an upgrade but a fundamental shift in how things are made, moved and managed.

Across India, from long-established facilities to newly-built plants, AI is being integrated into every layer of production. It is helping manufacturers increase output, reduce waste, adapt to shifting demands and even design more intelligently. Backed by national policy and rising enterprise ambition, India's factories are becoming more agile, more precise and more globally competitive.

Sector on move

The global AI-in-manufacturing market is projected to grow from $4.1 billion in 2024 to $5.8 billion in 2025, and is expected to surpass $25 billion by 2029, according to The Business Research Company.

In India, adoption is accelerating. TeamLease data shows AI use across industries stood at 48% in FY2024, with manufacturing alone rising from 8% to 22% in just one year. This is supported by policy initiatives like the Government of India's ₹10,372-crore AI Mission, which is investing in infrastructure, talent and indigenous models.

"From predictive maintenance to intelligent automation, AI and GenAI are turning manufacturing industries into self-optimising systems. Real-time data is being leveraged to drive smarter decisions, higher throughput and more sustainable, customer-centric outcomes. When combined with responsible AI frameworks, this shift drives both operational excellence and enhanced customer value," says Sanjay Mittal, senior partner and industrial sector leader, IBM Consulting India & South Asia.

Intelligence across floor

AI is powering improvements across every layer of the factory. On the shop floor, predictive maintenance uses sensor data to anticipate equipment failures, reducing downtime by up to 30%, according to McKinsey. AI vision systems identify micro-level defects in real time, improving quality assurance.

Vaulting to the future: Artificial Intelligence will be central to India's ambition of becoming a $5 trillion economy .

Cobots—collaborative robots guided by AI—support workers in physically demanding or repetitive tasks. These machines respond to human cues, enabling safer, more efficient man-machine collaboration.

"Today, CPCL generates about 1 TB of data daily. AI-powered CCTVs are helping ensure SOP compliance, while machine learning supports predictive maintenance and smart procurement. Digital twins and centralised safety monitoring are our focus to steadily transform our operations," says H. Shankar, managing director, Chennai Petroleum Corporation Limited.

Further upstream, generative AI accelerates product development.

Digital twins simulate layouts, energy use and asset health, helping engineers optimise operations virtually. In planning and logistics, AI enhances forecasting and enables more agile scheduling. IBM estimates that AI-led planning improves responsiveness by over 20%.

"At ZF Group in India, we're integrating smart manufacturing technologies like AI, robotics, and automation to transform our operations.

"AI is helping us redesign workflows by reducing task complexity and enhancing labour flexibility, empowering shop-floor teams to manage more intricate processes.

"AI-powered vision systems are also improving quality control by eliminating fatigue-related errors and increasing inspection efficiency," says Akash Passey, president, ZF Group India

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Digital backbone

AI draws strength from a wider digital ecosystem that enables speed, scale, and integration.

At the edge, IoT sensors capture real-time data from machines, materials, and the environment. Edge computing allows instant responses for tasks like robotic actuation and safety control.

Cloud platforms provide the scale to train models, run digital twins, and coordinate cross-site operations.

These platforms allow AI to be deployed flexibly and integrated into existing enterprise systems.

Emerging technologies such as autonomous control systems and agentic AI offer even more adaptability. These systems learn, plan and optimise processes with minimal human input. Crucially, these layers are connected through APIs and integration hubs that link AI with ERP, supply chain, and production systems. This ensures insights are shared across the organisation to enable better decision-making.

More than efficiency

AI creates value at two levels. First, through operational hygiene.

Predictive maintenance, automated inspections, and real-time stock tracking are fast becoming industry norms. These improvements lower costs and improve compliance, but are no longer enough to differentiate.

"We are now exploring AI-driven process optimisation to improve yields and reduce energy use, deploying drones for safer inspections, and planning AI-driven logistics.

"As AI and automation evolve, the opportunity to unlock smarter, safer, and more efficient operations continues to grow," adds Mr. Shankar of CPCL.

Second, AI is unlocking innovation. Generative tools speed up design.

AI-driven customisation enables personalisation at scale. Companies that embed AI across their value chain—from R&D to delivery—are more agile, responsive, and future-ready.

Looking ahead

Challenges persist. Integration costs, talent shortages and concerns over data governance and model transparency are slowing broader adoption.

Note of caution

A 2024 Reuters/Ipsos survey found that 44% of manufacturing leaders remain cautious about scaling generative AI due to concerns around hallucinations and explainability.

Still, the direction is clear. AI will be central to India's ambition of becoming a $5 trillion economy. With the right mix of strategy, skills, and Indian manufacturers are well positioned to lead the next wave of global industrial transformation.

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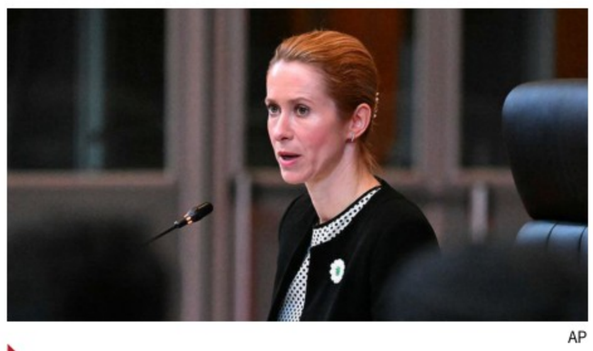
EU blasts Russia's latest Ukraine attacks, threatens new sanctions



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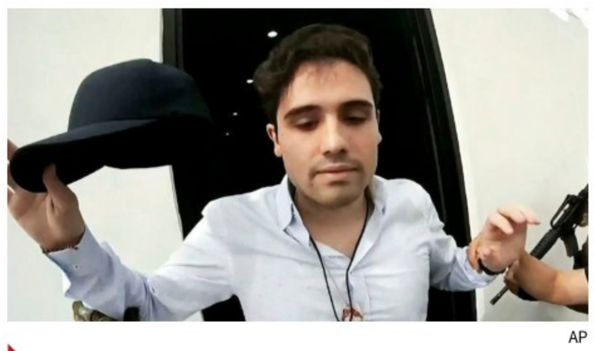
The EU's top diplomat, Kaja Kallas, on Friday condemned Russia's recent massive drone and missile attacks on Ukraine as "unacceptable", and said the 27-nation bloc is considering a new raft of sanctions. Ms. Kallas was speaking on the sidelines of a regional meeting of Foreign Ministers in Kuala Lumpur. AFP

CHICAGO

El Chapo's son Ovidio Guzman Lopez pleads guilty to U.S. charges

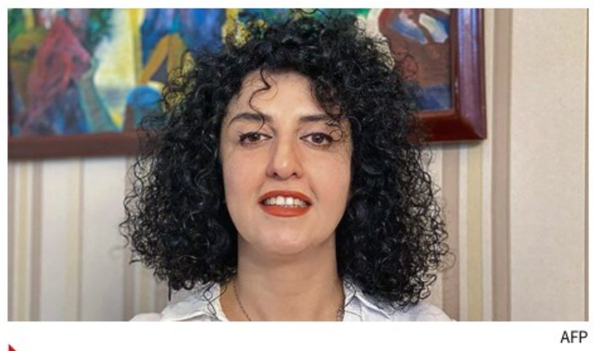


AP

Ovidio Guzman Lopez, 35, son of imprisoned Mexican drug lord Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman, pleaded guilty on Friday to four drug trafficking counts in U.S. court. He and his brothers, known as the "Chapitos," revived the Sinaloa Cartel, trafficking fentanyl to the U.S.. He faces possible life imprisonment. REUTERS

OSLO

Iran issuing death threats, says Nobel winner Narges Mohammadi



AFP

Iranian activist Narges Mohammadi, Nobel Peace Prize 2023 laureate, has received death threats from Tehran, warning her to cease public and international advocacy, the Nobel Committee said on Friday. Despite repeated imprisonments, she continues fighting for women's rights and human rights in Iran. AFP

GENEVA

Nearly 1.5 lakh Rohingya fled to Bangladesh since 2024, says UN

REUTERS

Bangladesh has seen its largest Rohingya refugee influx since 2017, with 1,50,000 arriving in Cox's Bazar since early 2024, the UN said on Friday. Ongoing violence and persecution in Myanmar's Rakhine State continue to force thousands to seek safety in already overcrowded Bangladeshi camps. AFP

Trump eyes 15-20% blanket tariff on trading partners

In his letters to leaders from more than 20 countries, Trump outlined duties ranging from 20% to 50%; the countries that have not received specific notifications will face the blanket tariffs

Agence France-Presse
WASHINGTON

Trade talks: Donald Trump began issuing letters to many trading partners as he ramps up pressure for favourable trade deals. AP

U.S. President Donald Trump on Thursday said he was considering imposing a 15% or 20% blanket tariff on countries that had not yet received specific notifications, effective August 1.

Mr. Trump this week began issuing letters to many U.S. trading partners as he ramps up pressure for more favourable trade deals.

In his letters to leaders from more than 20 countries, Mr. Trump outlined duties ranging from 20% to 50% – in the case of Brazil – that would take effect on August 1.

Mr. Trump's letters warn that if the recipients raise their tariffs, the U.S. would retaliate with even higher rate increases.

When asked by *NBC News* what would happen to countries that did not receive letters, he floated the idea of the 15% or 20% rates.

"We're just going to say all of the remaining countries are going to pay, whether it's 20% or 15%. We'll work that out now," Mr. Trump was quoted as saying by *NBC News*.

It was not clear whether this meant an increase from Mr. Trump's 10% baseline tariffs on goods currently paid by most countries, or if it would apply only to those subject to higher rates than the baseline.

The tariffs are part of Mr. Trump's "Liberation Day" trade announcement in April, a sweeping package of import duties that were to take effect on July 9, but are now pushed off to August 1 as trade talks continue.

The policy imposed the universal 10% tariff on nearly all imports, with much higher, country-specific "reciprocal" tariffs for dozens of countries.

Mr. Trump has threatened Canada with a 35% tariff, starting August 1, upending negotiations between the neighbours and close allies.

Canada's 35% tariff marks a step up from an existing 25% level, but products complying with the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA) are expected to remain exempt, a Trump administration official said.

Canadian energy resources are anticipated to still face a lower levy too, the official said, although he noted that Mr. Trump has yet to make final decisions on the matter.

Canada and the U.S. have been locked in trade negotiations in hopes of reaching a deal by July 21, but the U.S. President's latest threat appeared to have shifted that deadline.

Both Canada and Mexico are trying to find ways to satisfy Mr. Trump so that the USMCA free trade deal uniting the three countries can be put back on track.

"Throughout the current trade negotiations with the United States, the Canadian government has steadfastly defended our workers and businesses. We will continue to do so as we work towards the revised deadline of August 1," Canada Prime Minister Mark Carney posted on X on Thursday night. The USMCA replaced the previous NAFTA accord in July 2020, after Mr. Trump successfully pushed for a renegotiation during his first term in office.

It was due to be reviewed by July next year, but Mr. Trump has thrown the process into disarray by launching his trade wars after he took office in January. Canadian and Mexican products were swiftly hit by 25% U.S. tariffs this year, with a lower rate for Canadian energy.

Rubio holds 'positive' meeting with China's Wang

Agence France-Presse
KUALA LUMPUR

U.S. Secretary of State Marco Rubio said on Friday he had a "positive" meeting with his Chinese counterpart Wang Yi on the sidelines of ASEAN talks in Malaysia, where Washington's tariffs are in sharp focus.

Mr. Rubio and Mr. Wang's first face-to-face meeting since U.S. President Donald Trump returned to office came as Washington and Beijing are locked in disputes ranging from trade to Taiwan – and both powers vie for greater influence in the region.

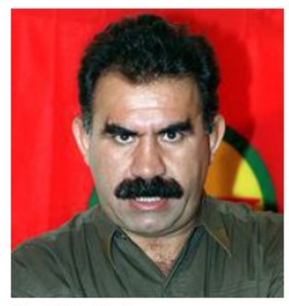
"I thought it was very constructive and positive meeting," Mr. Rubio said.

PKK begins laying down arms as part of peace plan

Associated Press
SULAYMANIYAH

Fighters with a Kurdish separatist militant group that has waged a decades-long insurgency in Turkiye began laying down their weapons in a symbolic ceremony on Friday in northern Iraq, the first concrete step toward a promised disarmament as part of a peace process.

The Kurdistan Workers' Party, or PKK, announced in May that it would disband and renounce armed conflict, ending four decades of hostilities. The move came after PKK leader Abdullah Öcalan, who has been imprisoned on an island near Istanbul since 1999, urged his group in February to convene a congress and formally disband and disarm.



Abdullah Ocalan

Mr. Öcalan renewed his call in a video message broadcast on Wednesday, saying, "I believe in the power of politics and social peace, not weapons."

The PKK issued a statement from the fighters laying down their weapons, who called themselves the "Peace and Democratic Society Group," saying that they had disarmed "as a gesture of goodwill and a commitment to the practical success" of the peace process. "We will henceforth continue our struggle for freedom, democracy, and socialism through democratic politics and legal means," it said.

The ceremony took place in the mountains outside the city of Sulaymaniyah in northern Iraq's semi-autonomous Kurdish region. The state-run *Iraqi News Agency* reported that "the process will take place in stages, with a group of party members initially laying down their weapons symbolically". The disarmament process is expected to be completed by September.

Brazil vows retaliatory tariffs against the U.S.

Associated Press
RIO DE JANEIRO

Brazilian President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva said on Thursday that he will impose retaliatory tariffs on the United States if President Donald Trump follows through on a pledge to boost import taxes by 50% over the South American country's criminal trial against his predecessor, Jair Bolsonaro.

Mr. Lula said he will trigger Brazil's reciprocity law approved by Congress earlier this year if negotiations with the U.S. fail.

"If there's no negotiation, the reciprocity law will be put to work. If he charges 50 (% tariffs) from us, we will charge 50 from them," Mr. Lula told *TV Record* in excerpts of an interview that will be fully aired later in the day. "Respect is good. I like to offer mine and I like to receive it."

Mr. Lula's comments raise the risk of a tariffs war erupting between the two countries, similar to what has happened between the U.S. and China. Mr. Trump has vowed to respond forcefully if countries seek to punish the U.S. by adding tariffs of their own.

The President of Brazil's Senate, Sen. Davi Alcolumbre, and Chamber of Deputies Speaker Hugo Motta, a pair of moderates who have recently been at odds with Mr. Lula, agreed that the reciprocity law gives Brazil "the means ... to protect our sovereignty."

Myanmar junta thanks Trump after recognition of its rule in tariff letter

Agence France-Presse
YANGON

Myanmar's military leader lauded Donald Trump and asked him to lift sanctions, the junta said on Friday after a tariff letter from the U.S. President believed to be Washington's first public recognition of its rule.

Min Aung Hlaing endorsed Mr. Trump's false claim that the 2020 U.S. election was stolen, and thanked him for shutting down funding to U.S.-backed media providing independent coverage of conflict-wracked Myanmar.

U.S. State Department sanctioned the junta chief and others for using 'violence and terror to oppress' Burmese people

The military ousted Aung San Suu Kyi's elected civilian government in 2021, plunging the country into civil war.

The U.S. State Department sanctioned the junta chief and others for using "violence and terror to oppress" Burmese people and "denying them the ability to freely choose their own leaders".

U.S. diplomats do not formally engage with the junta, but Mr. Trump sent a letter to Min Aung Hlaing by name on Monday telling him the U.S. would impose a 40% tariff from August 1, down from a threatened 44%.

Pakistani father killed daughter over TikTok account, say police

Agence France-Presse
RAWALPINDI

Pakistan police on Friday said a father shot dead his daughter after she refused to delete her account on popular video-sharing app TikTok.

Investigators said the father killed his 16-year-old daughter on Tuesday "for honour". He was subsequently arrested.

800 killed in Gaza since May 27 trying to get aid: UN

Agence France-Presse
GENEVA

Nearly 800 people have died trying to access aid in Gaza since late May, with most killed near the U.S.- and Israel-backed Gaza Humanitarian Foundation's sites, the UN said on Friday.

An officially private effort, the Gaza Humanitarian Foundation (GHF) began operations on May 26 after Israel halted supplies into the Gaza Strip for more than two months, sparking warnings of imminent famine.

Since those operations began and through July 7, United Nations rights office spokesperson Ravina Shamdasani said the agency had recorded "615 killings in the vicinity of the GHF sites".

Another 183 people had been killed "presumably on the routes of aid convoys" carried out by UN and other aid organisations, she told reporters in Geneva.

"This is nearly 800 people who have been killed while trying to access aid," she said, adding that "most of the injuries are gunshot injuries".

The GHF has denied that fatal shootings have occurred in the immediate vicinity of its aid points.

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E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE

E-Tenders are invited under two bid system for the supply and installation of equipments as detailed below for the Establishment of Electric Vehicle Technology Laboratory in 3 Government Engineering Colleges at Tirunelveli, Dharmapuri and Erode

S. No	Tender Ref.No.	Brief Description of the Equipments	Last Date & Time for Tender submission
1.	GCE/TVL/ 3014/ A2/2024	Establishment of Electric Vehicle Technology Laboratory in 3 Government Engineering Colleges at Tirunelveli, Dharmapuri and Erode	Date : 28.07.2025 Time : 05.00 p.m.

The tender document along with detailed specifications of the equipments can be downloaded from the Tamilnadu Government e-Tender website **www.tntenders.gov.in** and College Website **www.gcetly.ac.in**
Interested vendors may visit the above website and upload your quotations through online only. Corrigendum if any, issued after publication of this Tender Notice will be published in the above e-Tender website. You may please visit the site regularly.

Principal
(Tender Inviting Authority)
Government College of Engineering, Tirunelveli – 627 007.

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TENDER CALL NOTICE

Sealed tenders are invited from Distributors / Wholesalers for supply of **"Minor instruments, Implants & Anti-cancer drugs"** for the year **2025-2026** through courier service/speed post/register post only. For details, please visit our website: **www.capitalhospital.nic.in [WWW.CAPITALHOSPITAL(DOT)NIC(DOT)IN]**. The details of Last date & time of receipt of tender, pre-bid meeting, date & time of opening of tender, venue etc. are mentioned in the bid documents. The undersigned reserves the right to reject or cancel any or all the tender without any reason thereof.

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Pre bid meeting & site visit: 25.07.2025,
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File No.- BDA-TP-MISC-0002-2025

SELECTION OF A FIRM FOR PROVIDING OUTSOURCE SERVICES FOR TOWN PLANNING SCHEMES IN BDA

Bhubaneswar Development Authority (BDA) intends to select an agency for **"Selection of a Firm for Providing Outsource Services for Town Planning Schemes in BDA"**
Interested agencies may participate in this tender and submit their proposal. The RFP documents will be available from **09.07.2025 to 04.08.2025** and can be downloaded from Odisha e-procurement portal i.e., **https://tendersodisha.gov.in**. The completed proposal, as per instruction in the RFP document, should be submitted on the portal latest by **04.08.2025 up to 17:00 hrs.** Please refer to the RFP document for further details.
BDA reserves the right to cancel this invitation and / or invite fresh Bid / RFP with or without amendments to this invitation, without liability or any obligation for such invitation and without assigning any reason. BDA also reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Secretary,
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TOP INDIAN

Bumrah overtakes Kapil for most five-wicket hauls in away Tests

PTI

Jasprit Bumrah has the most five-fors (13 in 35) by an Indian in away Tests, going past Kapil Dev (12 in 66). After his maiden five-wicket haul at Lord's, the Indian pacer has the second-most five-fors (4) by an Asian in England, only behind Muttiah Muralitharan (5).

ETCHED IN HISTORY

Bumrah elated with his entry into the Lord's Honours Board

GETTY IMAGES

It's a good thing to come to the Honours Board. When my son grows up, I can tell him that my name is on the Honours Board and it is also on many other places. As long as I wear this jersey, judgment [on fitness and workload management] will come. And obviously, you will always be judged day in and day out — Jasprit Bumrah.

TOP OF THE CHARTS

Root goes past Dravid's record for most outfield catches in Tests

GETTY IMAGES

England's Joe Root went past Rahul Dravid's record for most outfield catches in Test cricket, picking up his 211th in the third Test against India at Lord's. He took a stunner to dismiss Karun Nair to complete his 211th catch, surpassing Dravid's tally of 210. Former Sri Lanka captain Mahela Jayawardene is third with 205 catches.

TRADEMARK SWOOP

Pogacar pounces to retake Tour de France lead

REUTERS

Tadej Pogacar won stage 7 of the Tour de France on Friday to retake the overall lead with a trademark swoop on the short, steep slope of the Mur de Bretagne. Visma's Jonas Vingegaard was second at the line with Briton Oscar Onley third while a late nine-rider pile up marred the finale.

Bumrah and Rahul keep India in the hunt

The pacer claims his 15th five-wicket haul while the opener leads the tourists' response to England's 387; Smith and Carse put on 84 runs for the eighth wicket

INDIA IN ENGLAND

Shayan Acharya
LONDON

That's middle! Root fell to Bumrah shortly after scoring his eighth Test hundred at Lord's. GETTY IMAGES

Jasprit Bumrah acknowledged the appreciation from the crowd as he led the Indian team off the field. Friday afternoon was special for the seasoned fast bowler as he claimed his 15th five-for – 13th in away Tests, the most by an Indian – and entered the Lord's Honours Board.

However, England still managed to put up 387 in its first innings, riding on fifties by Jamie Smith (51, 56b, 6x4) and Brydon Carse (56, 83b, 6x4, 1x6). The two frustrated the Indian bowlers for the larger part of the first session, adding 84 runs for the eighth wicket.

The spectators at the iconic venue witnessed some exciting contest as Jofra Archer, on his return to Test cricket after four years, saw the back of Yashasvi Jaiswal in his first over before K.L. Rahul's unbeaten 53 (113b, 5x4) guided India to 145 for three at stumps.

Jaiswal showed intent at the start as he picked up three boundaries, making the most of Chris Woakes' loose deliveries. But Archer removed the opener off the third ball in his first over. Archer got one to angle away from the left-hander, which Jaiswal ended up poking to Harry Brook in the slip cordon.

Rahul and Karun Nair endured a challenging phase of play and added 61 runs. But even as he looked promising, the latter once again failed to cash as he was brilliantly caught by Joe Root at first slip off Ben Stokes.

While Shubman Gill had a rare failure with the bat, Rahul stood firm and rebuilt with Rishabh Pant, who walked out to bat despite skipping wicketkeeping duties due to an index finger injury. England maintained a slow over rate and just 73 overs were possible on the day. Rahul, who got a hundred the last time India played a Test here in 2021, seemed to be in no hurry as he ensured there was no further loss.

On a surface that seemed to have more juice in it than the opening day, the first half of the opening session belonged to Bumrah. Shortly after Root (104, 199b, 10x4), brought up his eighth century at Lord's, Ben Stokes, Root and Woakes fell to Bumrah in a span of just seven balls by the pacer. Root could add just five runs to his overnight score.

England would have been in further trouble had Rahul not dropped a regulation chance offered by Smith in the slips off Mohammed Siraj.

The wicketkeeper-batter, who has had a memorable outing so far, made the most of his reprieve and rebuilt the innings with Carse.

England also benefitted from India's decision to change the ball, which was moving around, after just 10.4 overs. Smith and Carse tested the patience of the Indian bowlers with runs flowing quickly. Smith played a fine extra-cover drive before bringing up his 50 with a single at the stroke of lunch.

However, in the second session, the momentum shifted towards India as Siraj got one to nip away, which found the outside edge of Smith, ending the long partnership.

Though Carse made use of a couple of reprieves and hit some boundaries off Bumrah, the latter eventually picked up his fifth wicket by castling Archer.

SCOREBOARD

ENGLAND — 1ST INNINGS
Zak Crawley c Pant b Nitish 18 *(43b, 4x4)*, Ben Duckett c Pant b Nitish 23 *(40b, 3x4)*, Ollie Pope c sub (Jurel) b Jadeja 44 *(104b, 4x4)*, Joe Root b Bumrah 104 *(199b, 10x4)*, Harry Brook b Bumrah 11 *(20b, 2x4)*, Ben Stokes b Bumrah 44 *(110b, 4x4)*, Jamie Smith c Jurel b Siraj 51 *(56b, 6x4)*, Chris Woakes c Jurel b Bumrah 0 *(1b)*, Brydon Carse b Siraj 56 *(83b, 6x4, 1x6)*, Jofra Archer b Bumrah 4 *(11b, 1x4)*, Shoaib Bashir (not out) 1 *(10b)*; Extras (b-11, lb-13, nb-2, w-5): 31; Total (in 112.3 overs): 387.

FALL OF WICKETS
1-43 (Duckett, 13.3 overs), 2-44 (Crawley, 13.6), 3-153 (Pope, 49.1), 4-172 (Brook, 54.5), 5-260 (Stokes, 85.2), 6-271 (Root, 87.1), 7-271 (Woakes, 87.2), 8-355 (Smith, 106.2), 9-370 (Archer, 109.3).

INDIA BOWLING
Bumrah 27-5-74-5, Akash 23-3-92-0, Siraj 23.3-6-85-2, Nitish 17-0-62-2, Jadeja 12-1-29-1, Washington 10-1-21-0.

INDIA — 1ST INNINGS
Yashasvi Jaiswal c Brook b Archer 13 *(8b, 3x4)*, K.L. Rahul (batting) 53 *(113b, 5x4)*, Karun Nair c Root b Stokes 40 *(62b, 4x4)*, Shubman Gill c Smith b Woakes 16 *(44b, 2x4)*, Rishabh Pant (batting) 19 *(33b, 3x4)*; Extras (b-1, lb-1, nb-2): 4; Total (for three wkts. in 43 overs): 145.

FALL OF WICKETS
1-13 (Jaiswal, 1.3), 2-74 (Karun, 20.2), 3-107 (Gill, 33.1).

ENGLAND BOWLING
Woakes 13-1-56-1, Archer 10-3-22-1, Carse 8-1-27-0, Stokes 6-2-16-1, Bashir 6-1-22-0.

Italy... a moment to cherish.
ICC EUROPE

Italy qualifies for 2026 T20 Cricket WC

Agencies
THE HAGUE

Italy on Friday secured qualification for the 2026 men's T20 World Cup in India and Sri Lanka, despite losing to the Netherlands at The Hague. The tournament will mark Italy's first appearance at a cricket World Cup. The Netherlands also qualified for the event after having comfortably chased 135.

Scotland, which has featured in the last four editions of the event, was knocked out after suffering a last-ball defeat to Jersey earlier. Despite pulling off a one-wicket heist, Jersey was also knocked out. Both Italy and Jersey were level with five points, but Italy progressed thanks to a superior net run rate.

Italy needed to hold the Netherlands for at least 15 overs to qualify. The visitors stretched the match till the 17th over to seal qualification.

Alcaraz outclasses Fritz, braces for Sinner test

WIMBLEDON

N. Sudarshan
LONDON

Day 12
in numbers
1 Alcaraz (22y 56d) is the youngest man to claim 10 top-five wins at the Majors
1 Sinner (23y 318d) is the youngest man to reach four successive Slam finals
2 The Italian has become the second player (after Nadal in 2008-09) to win five straight matches against Djokovic
2 Sinner and Alcaraz are the second set of men to meet in the final at Roland-Garros and Wimbledon in the same season (after Federer and Nadal, 2006-08)
3 Alcaraz is the third-youngest man (after Borg - 22y 19d, and Nadal - 22y 20d) to reach three finals at both Wimbledon and Roland-Garros
4 Sinner is the fourth player (after Federer, Nadal and Murray) to defeat Djokovic on all three surfaces
24 Alcaraz is currently on a career-best win streak
6 Sinner is the sixth player (after Laver, Agassi, Federer, Nadal and Djokovic) to reach the final at four consecutive Grand Slams
10 Alcaraz is the fourth man this century, and the 10th overall, to reach three Wimbledon finals on the trot. He is also the first player born in 1990 or later to achieve this feat
THE CHAMPIONSHIPS WIMBLEDON
COMPILED BY ANIRUDH VELAMURI

On his best days, Carlos Alcaraz treats his opponents like how a child handles a newly acquired toy. There is a testing phase, then there is a teasing and toying phase, before the whole thing is tossed out in search of a fresh, exciting challenge.

Friday on Centre Court was one such day as the two-time defending Wimbledon champion outclassed Taylor Fritz 6-4, 5-7, 6-3, 7-6(6) to enter his third straight final at the All England Club.

It was the World No. 2's 24th straight success, a streak that includes Roland-Garros, and now puts him in line for a second consecutive French Open-Wimbledon double, a feat last achieved by the legendary Bjorn Borg (1978, 79, 80).

Standing in his way is World No. 1 Jannik Sinner, whom he beat last month in Paris over five spectacular sets. The Italian reached the title round by handing 24-time Major winner Novak Djokovic – who was physically sub-par – a 6-3, 6-3, 6-4 beat-down.

Djokovic's hopes end

It was seven-time Wimbledon champion Djokovic's first defeat before the final at SW19 since 2017, and only the second straight-sets loss in a completed match in southwest London after 2013.

"I could never imagine I'd play here in the final," said Sinner, who has now reached the summit clash at every Slam.

"It shows I'm growing as a player. I struggled five years ago when I started on this surface. Now, I'm much better."

This means Alcaraz has a mighty challenge on his hands and it is fair to say that he warmed up rather well against Fritz.

Frenetic pace

The match was played at a frenetic pace – just 2 hours and 49 minutes for four sets – and witnessed some remarkable serving and outrageous shot-making.

Alcaraz set the tone from the first point with a forehand drop-shot winner, and broke the American in a jiffy, and gave away precious little by taking the set 6-4 with an authoritative last hold that saw two big aces.

In the second stanza, Fritz's return improved and he even managed a break-point in the eighth game only for it to be erased by a monstrous body serve.

Uncharacteristic

But at 5-6, Alcaraz was uncharacteristically broken to love, with two errors, a double fault and an imperious inside-out winner from Fritz doing the damage.

But the five-time Major titlist dusted it off to play his best set of the contest, winning 16 of his 17 service points. The two breaks of serve established his overall superiority over the 2024 US Open finalist as the third set lasted just a little over 30 minutes.

However Fritz, despite staring down the barrel, did not throw in the towel, and there was thus an inevitability about the fourth-set tie-break. And fittingly, it emerged as a microcosm of the afternoon.

Alcaraz jumped to a 4-1 lead only for Fritz to roar back to 6-4 and get two chances to drag the semifinal into a decider.

But Alcaraz came up with two strokes of enormous depth before earning a match-point with a powerful pass that Fritz barely got the racquet to.

The 22-year-old then sealed it with a deep backhand to draw an error from the World No. 5 and set the stage for a fantastic three-peat.

Swiatek, Anisimova in battle to be new Wimbledon queen

N. Sudarshan
LONDON

One final push: Swiatek runs into the Anisimova hurdle in her quest for a maiden Wimbledon title. AP

If Iga Swiatek ends her 13-month-long title drought at Wimbledon of all places, with a victory over Amanda Anisimova in their first-ever meeting, it must surely be 'God's calling.'

The four-time Roland-Garros champion is a bona fide clay-court great. Having won the US Open in 2022, she is more than capable on hard. But grass has proved slippery. She has lost one-fourth of her matches and has no titles as a senior pro till date.

Over the last three weeks however, things have changed.

The 24-year-old reached her maiden final on the lawns at Bad Homburg in Germany, and is now in her first Wimbledon title round. Never before at SW19 had she won more than four matches.

Popular theory

Popular theory – there is more than a grain of truth here – is that players on a sure footing do not compete in the week preceding a Slam.

Swiatek did, and that was indication enough of the ground she had to cover.

The Wimbledon of today is more hospitable to counter-punchers like Swiatek, for it no longer carries the pace and skiddy bounce of yore.

But it is still fast and needs customised footwork, especially while turning at the corners.

The Pole, to her credit, has found a hitherto successful formula.

Anisimova, though, has the game to ruffle her. Similar attack-minded players – Jelena Ostapenko being the glorious example – have spelt trouble in the past, hurrying her usually reliable serve and forcing the World No. 4 to be a tad more aggressive from the baseline than she would like. The American may be in her first Major final, but she is no novice.

A contemporary of Swiatek – just three months separate the two – Anisimova made her presence in a Slam semifinal a full year earlier than the Pole, at the 2019 French Open, before her career took a different turn.

Swiatek, however, is the most qualified Wimbledon final debutant in recent times – she is 5-0 in Major summit clashes. Will her tempered aggression triumph over Anisimova's easy power?

INBRIEF

Spurs sign Kudus with Gibbs-White set to follow

Tottenham has signed Mohammed Kudus from West Ham and is set to capture Nottingham Forest's Morgan Gibbs-White in a double swoop worth over £100 million ($136 million). Kudus became the first player since 2011 to make the move from the Hammers to rival Spurs in a reported £55 million deal. Gibbs-White is set to follow as Spurs have activated the £60 million buyout clause in his Forest contract.

Zoravar Sandhu stays close to the leading bunch

Zoravar Singh Sandhu shot 24, 25, 24 for the third-best score of 73 after three rounds of trap in the Shotgun World Cup in Lonato on Friday. In comparison, Lakshay Sheoran (70) and Jaswinder Singh (69) may find it hard to make the cut. Competing in the RPO section, National champion Shardul Vihan shot 72 out of 75. In the women's section, Aashima Ahlawat shot 68 out of 74, but it was in the RPO section. Preeti Rajak (66), Neeru (66) and Pragati Dubey (57) were far from the leading pack in a field of 101 shooters.

Rich haul by Indian women grapplers in Asian u-20 meet

Indian women wrestlers bagged seven gold medals and a bronze at the Asian under-20 championships in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, on Friday. Saarika (53kg), Reena (55kg), Neha Sharma (57kg), Anjili (62kg), Muskan (65kg), Harshita (72kg) and Kajal (76kg) claimed the titles in their respective weight classes. Ashlesha Bagade (59kg) picked up a bronze to contribute to India's overall success as the country medalled in eight out of 10 categories and won the team crown.

Qualifier Nagal through to the semifinals

Qualifier Sumit Nagal sustained his strong game to get past fellow qualifier Maxim Mrva of the Czech Republic 6-1, 3-6, 6-1 in the quarterfinals of the €145,250 Challenger tennis tournament in Trieste, Italy, on Friday. Sumit, who had beaten the top seed in the first round, had sailed past wild card and former world No.16 Marco Cecchinato in straight sets in the second round.

LIVE TELECAST

England vs India: 3rd Test, day 3, Sony Sports Ten 1 (SD & HD) & JioHotstar, 3.30 p.m.

Wimbledon: Star Sports 1, SS Select 1, 2 (SD & HD) & JioHotstar, 6.30 p.m.

England Women vs India Women: 5th T20I, Sony Sports Ten 1 (SD & HD) & LIV, 11 p.m.

West Indies vs Australia: 3rd Test, day 2, FanCode, 12 a.m. (Sunday)

Neeraj working on smaller steps, stronger block, straighter throws

The champion javelin thrower will be taking part in a 57-day training-cum-competition camp in the Czech Republic ahead of the World C'ships

ATHLETICS

Uthra Ganesan
GURUGRAM

Fresh from the success of NC Classic on and off the field, Neeraj Chopra is all set to fly out for a 57-day training-cum-competition camp in the Czech Republic ahead of the World Championships in September later tonight.

Having worked with Czech javelin throw legend Jan Zelezny for a while now, Neeraj is looking to iron out long-standing issues in his quest to defend his title in Tokyo.

Coming together: Goculdas, Jyotika, Rishika, Neeraj and Jay at the promotional event on Friday. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Biggest issue

"My biggest issue for a long time has been drifting to the left during throws. We are working a lot on it. And we are working on the run-up.

"I am trying to go faster, stay on my toes as much as possible and maintain or increase the speed during cross-step to keep the flow smooth. We are also working on the leg block, but it's something you need to learn as a kid, unlearning and re-learning is not easy at this stage.

"Things are going very well in training but somehow, during competitions, there is a mix of the old and new; sometimes it works, sometimes it doesn't. Thankfully, the groin is feeling fine this time. We are also doing smaller, faster steps to avoid stretching the muscle," he explained.

Satisfied

In town for a promotional event with Under Armour that saw four more Indians signing up with the brand – decathlete Tejaswin Shankar, sprinter Jay Shah and fencers Jyotika Dutta and Rishika Khajuria – Neeraj was satisfied with the success of the NC Classic.

Having won everything possible in his sport, Neeraj is now focussed on smaller targets, one at a time, consistently, including the streak of top-two finishes. "My target is to keep it consistent. I think, as an athlete, I like consistency. But now it has been going on for so long, some things just happen without actually thinking about them.

"Normally, it's just the results, no one notices these things, but now this has also become one of the mini-targets. Zelezny has 33 and I am on 25. He always performed in big competitions.

"I am trying to understand his mindset, which I think will help me. We are far from the World Record but closer to this one, we will try to reach this," he laughed.

Morssin sizzles in men's 100m T46, T47 in 10.95s

PARA ATHLETICS

Sports Bureau
BENGALURU

Kerala's Mohammed Basil Morssin won the men's 100m T46, T47 event in 10.95s in the 7th Indian Open para-athletics championships at the Sree Kanteerava Stadium here on Friday.

In the women's 100m T12, T13 category, Simran (12.30s) claimed the title.

In the F57 class for men's discus throw, Atul Kaushik from Delhi –who fought polio induced disabilities – landed a 45.99m, beating his nearest rival by over 4m.

Champion: Women's 100m T12, T13 champion Simran and her guide runner. TEJAS RAO

The results (winners only):
Men: 100m (T12: Vishu (Har) 11.90s; **T13:** M.S. Sujith (Del) 11.52s; **T35:** Vinay (Har) 13.87s; **T36:** Chirag (Del) 12.70s; **T37, T38:** Rakeshbhai Bha Dhanjib (GJ) 11.89s; **T44:** Sandeep (Har) 12.14s; **T46, T47:** Mohammed Basil Morssin (Ker) 10.95s; **T53:** Ramesh Shanmugam (TN) 16.27s; **T42:** Vivek Sharma (Pun) 13.11s; **T63, T64:** Pranav Prashant Desai (Mah) 11.80s).
400m (T11, T12: Chirag Tyagi (UP) 51.8s; **T13:** Subodh Bhatt (Har) 52.30s; **T20:** Bhushan (Har) 1:00.90min; **T35, T36:** Tingong Wangpan Nokka (Arunachal) 1:04.10m; **T37, T38:** Akira Nandan Banothu (TG) 51.80s; **T46, T47:** Dilip Mahadu Gavit (Mah) 48.30s; **T53:** Ramesh Shanmugam (TN) 54.80s).
1500m (T11: Sukhdev (CG) 4:36.80m; **T20:** Bhushan (Har) 4:55.70m; **T37, T46:** Parmod (Har) 4:10.75m).
Long jump (T13: M.S. Sujith (Del) 6.54m; **T20, T37 & T38:** Arun Sharma (Har) 4.51m; **T46, T47:** Vikas (Har) 6.98m).
High jump (T44, T47: Rampal (Har) 1.88m; **T42:** Shailesh Kumar (Bih) 1.88m).
Discus (F55, F56: Muthuraja Karaiyalan (TN) 34.81m; **F57:** Atul Kaushik (Del) 45.99m).
Javelin (F40, F41: Navdeep (Har) 42.63m; **F46:** Sundar Singh Gurjar (Raj) 64.53m; **F33, F53, F54:** Pradeep Kumar (UP) 26.11m; **F55:** Dipesh Kumar (UP) 29.81m; **F56:** Arulraj Balasubramanian (TN) 40.81m; **F57:** Hem Chandra (Utk) 40.06m; **F12, F64:** Sumit (Har) 72.25m; **F42, F43, F44:** Mahendra Gurjar (Raj) 63.16m).
Shot put (F12, F20: Praveen Sharma (Raj) 12.03m; **F32, F33:** Timbaliya Ashar Mahmadshafibha (Guj) 7.40m; **F37:** Manu (Har) 13.70m; **F35, F40, F41:** Ravi Rongali (AP) 10.53m; **F46:** Parveen (Har) 15.97m; **F53, F54:** Ayush Verma (UP) 7.21m; **F55:** Muthuraja Karaiyalan (TN) 11.01m; **F56, F57:** Hokato Sema (SSCB) 14.88m).
Women: 100m (T12, T13: Simran (UP) 12.30s; **T35, T37, T42:** Preeti Pal (UP) 15.00s; **T44, T46, T47:** Jayanti Behera (Odi) 13.40s).
400m (T11, T12, T13, T20: Deepthi Jeevanji (TL) 56.70s; **T37, T46, T47:** Bumbhadiya Anja Rohitbhai (Guj) 1:01.20m).
Long jump (T20, T37, T44: Bhuvi Agarwal (Har) 4.43m; **T46, T47:** C.S. Nimisha (Guj) 5.43m).
Club throw (F31, F32, F51: Anandhi Kulanthasamy (TN) 22.74m).
Discus (F55, F56: Sakshi Kasana (UP) 22.12m; **F57:** Sharmila (Har) 24.56m).
Shot put (F11, F12, F20: Khushboo Gill (Raj) 10.00m; **F32, F33, F34:** Bhagyashri Madh Jadhav (Mah) 7.68m; **F40, F41:** Enbatamizhi Sivakumar (TN) 6.15m; **F46:** Amisha Rawat (Utk) 10.37m; **F53, F54, F55, F56:** Keerthika Jayachandran (TN) 6.06m; **F35, F42, F44:** Dayawanti (Har) 7.76m).

Kalinga Stadium all set to host WA Continental Tour event

Sports Bureau
BHUBANESWAR

The Kalinga Stadium has undergone some infrastructural changes to host the one-day World Athletics (WA) Continental Tour Bronze Level meet, a qualifying event for the World Championships in Japan in September, here on August 10.

Around 150 athletes, including 50 foreigners, are expected to participate in the meet. Athletes from Turkmenistan, Bhutan, the Philippines, South Korea, Malaysia, Iraq, Vietnam, Cameroon, Sri Lanka, Iran and Maldives will be in the fray apart from hosts India. The last date for sending entries is July 15.

Competitions will be held in men's 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 5000m, long jump, triple jump, javelin throw and 4x400m relay and women's 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m, 100m hurdles, long jump, javelin throw and 4x400m relay in addition to mixed 4x400m relay.

Big Bay expected to score in feature

BENGALURU: Big Bay, who has been well-prepared, is expected to score in the Coromandel Gromor Bangalore Million (1,400m), the chief event of the races to be held here on Saturday (July 12). False rails (width about 3m from 1,600m to the winning post) will be in position.

1 SQUANDERER CUP (1,400m), rated 00 to 25, 1.30 p.m.: 1. Cascais (6) Akshay K 62.5, 2. Honeypot (2) Angad 62.5, 3. Verrazzano (3) Suraj 62, 4. Martha (7) M. Rajesh K 61, 5. Royal Whisper (1) Darshan 60, 6. Sea Diamond (5) Vinod Shinde 60, 7. Ice Storm (8) Shivam 59.5 and 8. Southernaristocrat (4) C. Umesh 57.
1. VERRAZZANO, 2. CASCAIS, 3. ROYAL WHISPER

2 KOLKATA CUP (1,400m), rated 40 to 65, 5-y-o & over, 2.00: 1. Prime Abbess (7) Neeraj 61.5, 2. Blue God (1) Antony 59, 3. Aquamatic (6) Akshay K 58.5, 4. Gimmler (4) G. Vivek 58.5, 5. Mystical Air (3) Ramswarup 55.5, 6. Super Marvella (8) J. Chinoy 55.5, 7. Dufy (2) Shivam 53.5 and 8. Stravinsky (5) Angad 50.5.
1. BLUE GOD, 2. AQUAMATIC, 3. STRAVINSKY

3 DELHI CUP (1,600m), rated 20 to 45, 2.30: 1. Alamgir (7) Pavan 62, 2. Sassy Sarah (5) Darshan N 62, 3. Final Call (10) Neeraj 61.5, 4. Mahler (4) Trevor 59.5, 5. Luca (8) Ritesh Gochhi 58.5, 6. Multi Success (6) Suraj 58.5, 7. N R I Victory (1) Antony 58.5, 8. Victoriaraya (3) R. Vaibhav 57.5, 9. Tropical Paradise (2) P.P. Dhebe 55, 10. CR Seven (11) Angad 54 and 11. Legendary Impact (9) Koshi K 53.5.
1. FINAL CALL, 2. N R I VICTORY, 3. MAHLER

4 MYSORE CUP (1,400m), rated 20 to 45, 3.00: 1. Your Unforgettable (1) Trevor 61.5, 2. Carat Love (9) Dhanu S 60.5, 3. Hyperdrive (2) Pavan 59, 4. Lockheed (4) Shreyas S 58, 5. Star Of India (6) Neeraj 57.5, 6. Breeze Bluster (3) Koshi K 56, 7. Double Vision (8) Shivam 55.5, 8. Lex Luthor (7) C. Umesh 55 and 9. The Commander (5) Tousif 53.
1. YOUR UNFORGETTABLE, 2. STAR OF INDIA, 3. HYPERDRIVE

5 HOOVES OF STEEL MILLION (Div. I), (1,400m), maiden 3-y-o only, (Terms), 3.30: 1. Agrador (7) Akshay K 56, 2. Darrington (2) Arvind K 56, 3. Konkrah (1) Sandesh 56, 4. Turf Paradise (6) Suraj 56, 5. Emerald Touch (8) Ashhad Asbar 54.5, 6. Maana (4) Antony 54.5, 7. Seina (5) C. Umesh 54.5 and 8. Silver Quest (3) C.A. Brisson 54.5.
1. AGRADOR, 2. MAANA, 3. KONKRAH

6 COROMANDEL GROMOR BANGALORE MILLION (1,400m), 3-y-o only, (Terms), 4.00: 1. Big Bay (6) Yash 57, 2. Bishop (7) G. Vivek 55, 3. Echoes Of Time (1) Antony 55, 4. Sicyon (3) Sandesh 55, 5. Ice Of Fire (2) Trevor 53.5, 6. Ange Raphael (8) C. Umesh 52, 7. Hanumanmahabala (4) Neeraj 52 and 8. Night Raider (5) Arvind K 52.
1. BIG BAY, 2. BISHOP, 3. ICE OF FIRE

7 CHENNAI CUP (1,600m), rated 60 to 85, 4.30: 1. Livermore (8) G. Vivek 62.5, 2. All Attraction (6) Girish R 57, 3. Sekhmet (7) Hindu S 56, 4. Emphatic (4) Trevor 55.5, 5. Bashir (5) Antony 55, 6. Invincible (1) M. Rajesh K 53.5, 7. Rock Bank (3) Akshay K 52 and 8. Finley (2) A. Prakash 50.
1. EMPHATIC, 2. ROCK BANK, 3. LIVERMORE

8 HOOVES OF STEEL MILLION (Div. II), (1,400m), maiden 3-y-o only, (Terms), 5.00: 1. Luke The Nuke (2) C. Umesh 56, 2. Renoir (1) A. Prakash 56, 3. Unforgettable Star (6) Suraj 56, 4. Zorawar (-) (-) 56, 5. Adornment (3) Akshay K 54.5, 6. Knotty Cruise (5) G. Vivek 54.5, 7. Neptune (4) Sandesh 54.5 and 8. Nijinsky Star (7) Antony 54.5.
1. KNOTTY CRUISE, 2. NEPTUNE, 3. ADORNMENT

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Jkt: 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8; Tr (i): 3, 4 and 5; (ii): 6, 7 and 8.

MRA renewal stymies ISL 2025-26 season

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

The Indian Super League on Friday announced that it has put the 2025-26 season "on hold" due to uncertainty surrounding the renewal of Master Rights Agreement (MRA) between the event organisers and the All India Football Federation.

The country's top-tier league normally runs from September to April, and the current MRA between Football Sports Development Limited (FSDL), which organises the event, and the AIFF is scheduled to expire on December 8, 2025, by which the ISL would be into its third month.

"Given this situation, we regret to inform you that we are currently not in a position to proceed with the 2025-26 ISL season and are placing it on hold until further clarity emerges on the contractual structure beyond end of current MRA term.

> In the absence of a confirmed contractual framework beyond December, we find ourselves unable to effectively plan, organise, or commercialise the 2025-26 ISL season
> **FSDL**
> ISL organiser

"We assure you that this decision has not been taken lightly," FSDL said in a letter addressed to all the ISL clubs.

Following a directive from the Supreme Court, the AIFF has been asked not to negotiate new terms of the MRA with (FSDL) until a final judgment is delivered in the AIFF draft constitution case.

Hockey Unit of Tamil Nadu stuns Indian Army, IOC ekes out a win over CBDT

MURUGAPPA GOLD CUP

K. Keerthivasan
CHENNAI

Hockey Unit of Tamil Nadu (HUTN) pulled off a stunning 5-1 upset victory over former champion Indian Army in a Pool-A contest of the MCC-Murugappa Gold Cup invitation hockey tournament at the SDAT-Mayor Radhakrishnan Stadium here on Friday.

However, the other two matches went largely according to the script with SAI NCOE (Bhopal) putting it across Maharashtra 4-2 in Pool-A and multiple champion IOC eking out a 2-0 win over Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) in Pool-B.

HUTN took the day's honours with a splendid performance against an Army team that looked off-colour. The Army outfit's attack lacked sting and defence appeared lackadaisical. But full credit to the hosts who went all-out.

Alert and agile: HUTN's Manoj comes up with a diving effort to score a goal. B. JOTHI RAMALINGAM

HUTN, comprising seven players from the Centre of Excellence, Kovilpatti, created opportunities from the centre and the flanks, flummoxing the opponent no end. The scoreline would have been more had it converted the half-chances.

Though Balachandar scored a brace, the hosts' triumph was a complete team effort. The defence comprising G.M. Pruthvi, Y. Anand, and Patras Tirkey thwarted quite a few dangerous run-ins by Army.

Relatively easy

While SAI NCOE had it relatively easy, it was a battle of nerves between IOC and CBDT. Till half-time, both the teams battled hard without conceding a goal.

However, in the third quarter, Sumit Kumar struck gold when he deflected home a fierce drive from former Olympian V.R. Raghunath. Affan Yousuf made it 2-0 in the fourth quarter, off a move from the right flank.

The results: Pool-A: HUTN 5 (B. Sathish 14, Patras Tirkey 32, Balachandar 34 & 59, Manoj Kumar 57) bt Indian Army 1 (Atish Dodrai 42); SAI NCOE (Bhopal) 4 (Tirloki Venvanshi 10, Mohit Karma 19, Vikas Valmiki 44, Mohammad Zaid Khan 55) bt Maharashtra 2 (Prajwal Moharkar 45, Rahul Shinde 48).
Pool-B: IOC 2 (Sumit Kumar 38, Affan Yousuf 48) bt CBDT 0.

Jyothi Surekha and Parneet enter semis

ARCHERY

Sports Bureau

V. Jyothi Surekha and Parneet Kaur remained in the medal hunt by entering the compound women's individual semifinals at the Archery World Cup Stage-4 in Madrid. Parneet beat Paris Paralympics champion Oznur Cure Girdi 142-141 on her way to ensure her first semifinal appearance.

The top-ranked mixed team duo of Jyothi and Rishabh Yadav will meet El Salvador for the bronze medal after losing 155-152 to the Dutch pair of Sanne De Laat and Mike Schloesser in the semifinals.

The results: Compound: Individual: Men: Rishabh Yadav bt Mohamad Ariffin (Mas) 149-141 (1st round), lost to Michea Godano (Mex) 141-143 (2nd round); Prathamesh Fuge lost to Francois Dubois (Fra) 148-149 (1st round); Aman Saini bt Stas Modic (Slo) 142-141 (1st round), lost to Martin Damsbo (Den) 144-145 (2nd round); Priyansh bt Ognjen Medeljkovic (Slo) 147-142 (1st round), lost to Elias Reyes Cravioto (Mex) 145-147 (2nd round).
Women: V. Jyothi Surekha got a bye (1st round), bt Ong Xue Li (Sgp) 143-139 (2nd round), bt Jennifer Winsenne (Swe) 145-137 (3rd round), bt Hazal Burun (Tur) 147-144 (quarterfinal); Parneet Kaur bt Pil Carlsen (Den) 143-136 (1st round), bt Sofia Paiz (Esa) 143-138 (2nd round), bt Lea Girault (Fra) 148-139 (3rd round), bt Oznur Girdi (Tur) 142-141 (quarterfinal); Prithika Pradeep lost to Claudia De La Cruz (Arg) 140-142 (1st round); Chikitha Taniparthi bt Fatin Salleh (Mas) 145-140 (1st round), bt Andrea Becerra (Mex) 143-142 (2nd round), lost to Oznur Girdi (Tur) 142-145 (3rd round).
Mixed team: Recurve: India (Ankita Bhakat, B. Dhiraj) lost to Switzerland 1-5 (1st round)
Compound: India (Jyothi, Rishabh) got a bye (1st round), bt Italy 155-151 (2nd round), bt France 155-153 (quarterfinal), lost to Netherlands 152-155 (semifinals).

History beckons Animesh, inspired by Bolt and thrilled by Lyles

The 22-year-old says the work he did with coach Owens and Woolley has been crucial in his growth

ATHLETICS

Agence France-Presse
MONACO

Inspired by Jamaican legend Usain Bolt, Animesh Kujur will make Diamond League history when he takes to the track in Monaco, becoming the first Indian sprinter to do so.

Animesh told AFP of his delight of bumping into Olympic 100 and 200m champions Noah Lyles and Letsile Tebogo at lunch on Thursday, enjoying a selfie with the duo as reality hit that he is now rubbing shoulders with the current sprinting elite.

Animesh will not, however, be racing against the vaunted pair, instead featuring in the under-23 200m on an evening loaded with top stars of track and field.

In focus: Animesh strikes Bolt's famous stance after winning the National Games 100m dash in February, a pose which he hopes to replicate on the international scene. FILE PHOTO: RITU RAJ KONWAR

Favourite

The favourite for the Indian's race is none other than widely-touted Australian teen prodigy Gout Gout, often compared to a younger Bolt but also finding his feet among the big boys.

"I saw them in the dining hall," Animesh said of Lyles and Tebogo. "I used to see them on Instagram only. So when I saw them for the first time in my life, I went and I took a photo with them.

"They're very nice. They said, 'Yeah, bro, come and let's take a photo'. I felt like, oh wow, that I am on a bigger stage now. I have to act like a pro athlete."

Animesh has enjoyed a mean streak of form coming into Monaco, setting national records of 10.18 and 20.27sec in the 100 and 200m respectively.

The 22-year-old, born in a tribal village in Chhattisgarh, put his improved form down to a two-week camp in Switzerland.

There he worked on body mechanics and his start out of the blocks with his own coach Martin Owens, who is based in the eastern state of Odisha, and Swiss-based bobsleigh performance coach Chris Woolley.

"Because of that, my time improved so much," he said, adding that time away from merely domestic competition was also a game changer.

"It's a very nice thing that I'm competing with athletes who are faster than me. Whenever I compete with faster athletes, my times improve."

"It's a massive step up for him," Englishman Owens told AFP. "In my three years in the job, I see people that just want to be better.

"They don't want to be the best in India, they want to be competing on a world stage."

Animesh admitted that eight-time Olympic gold medallist Bolt had been his inspiration.

"I used to give his signature lightning strike pose after finishing first in India," he said with a wry smile.

I have learned to stay unruffled by watching Dhoni, says Deepti

CRICKET

Press Trust of India
BIRMINGHAM

Seasoned India all-rounder Deepti Sharma says she has learned to stay unruffled in the most difficult of circumstances by religiously watching video clips of M.S. Dhoni, one of the best in the business when it came to handling pressure.

The 27-year-old Deepti recently joined the legendary Jhulan Goswami in the coveted 300-wicket club in international cricket, and while she has sizzled with her off-spin bowling and lower-order batting, what sets her apart is her ability to deliver under pressure.

"I have learnt to handle pressure from Dhoni sir. I used to be glued to the TV whenever there was a match featuring him and watch them," Deepti told *BCCI.tv* on Friday.

"It never seemed like he (Dhoni) was under pressure at any moment, he would calmly handle the situation and finish the game at last. That is exactly what I have also developed in my game," she added.

Deepti has been one of the team's most consistent performers over the past few years and is often called upon to get a breakthrough with the ball or bail the team out of a tricky situation with the bat.

"I love challenges, and whenever a tough situation arises, the team management feels that we have Deepti in our ranks and she can get the job done." Deepti's wicket of Alice Capsey in the 4th T20 International against England brought up her 300th international wicket across formats.

"Obviously feeling great, and it's a very proud moment for me as well as my family. The team has also praised me a lot for this achievement.

Deepti. GETTY IMAGES

Sports Ministry approves lengthy international training for athletes competing in World Championships

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

The World Championships-bound Indian track and field athletes will mostly train in Europe and the USA before the September show-piece after the Sports Ministry's Mission Olympic Cell (MOC) approved lengthy exposure trips to enhance their medal prospects.

At the 157th meeting of the MOC, athletics was the biggest beneficiary as training and competition proposals amounting to ₹86 lakh were approved.

A lion's share of the amount was set aside for those who have qualified for the event in Tokyo from September 13 to 21.

Neeraj will be training in Prague and Nymburk for 57 days at a total cost of ₹19 lakh.

Steeplechasers Avinash Sable, and Parul Chaudhary and long-distance runner Gulveer Singh will be training at Colorado Springs, Los Angeles from July 15 to September 3.

The government has approved ₹ 41.29 lakh for the trio. Another ₹10.32 lakh was sanctioned for middle distance runner Ajay Kumar Saroj.

Long jumper Murali Sreeshankar will be heading for competitions in Europe and Central Asia from July 19 till August 14 for which the government has approved ₹ 5.58 lakh.

Women's long jump prospects Ancy Sojan and Shaili Singh will also be in Europe at a cost of ₹ 9.21 lakh.

From July 22 to 26, 11 para-shuttlers would be competing at the British and Irish Para-Badminton Championship in Cardiff,

Nitish Kumar, Manoj Sarkar and Krishna Nagar will be part of the 11-member squad which will be accompanied by six support staff.

The MOC has approved a budget of ₹ 44.26 lakh for the group.

The virtual meeting on Thursday was attended by Sports Secretary and Director General, Sports Authority of India (SAI) Hari Ranjan Rao, Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS) CEO N. S. Johal, Target Asian Games Group (TAGG) head Col.

Rakesh Yadav, and other senior members such as national badminton coach Pullela Gopichand, Athletics Federation of India spokesperson Adille Sumariwalla, and Indian Olympic Association vice president Gagan Narang among others.

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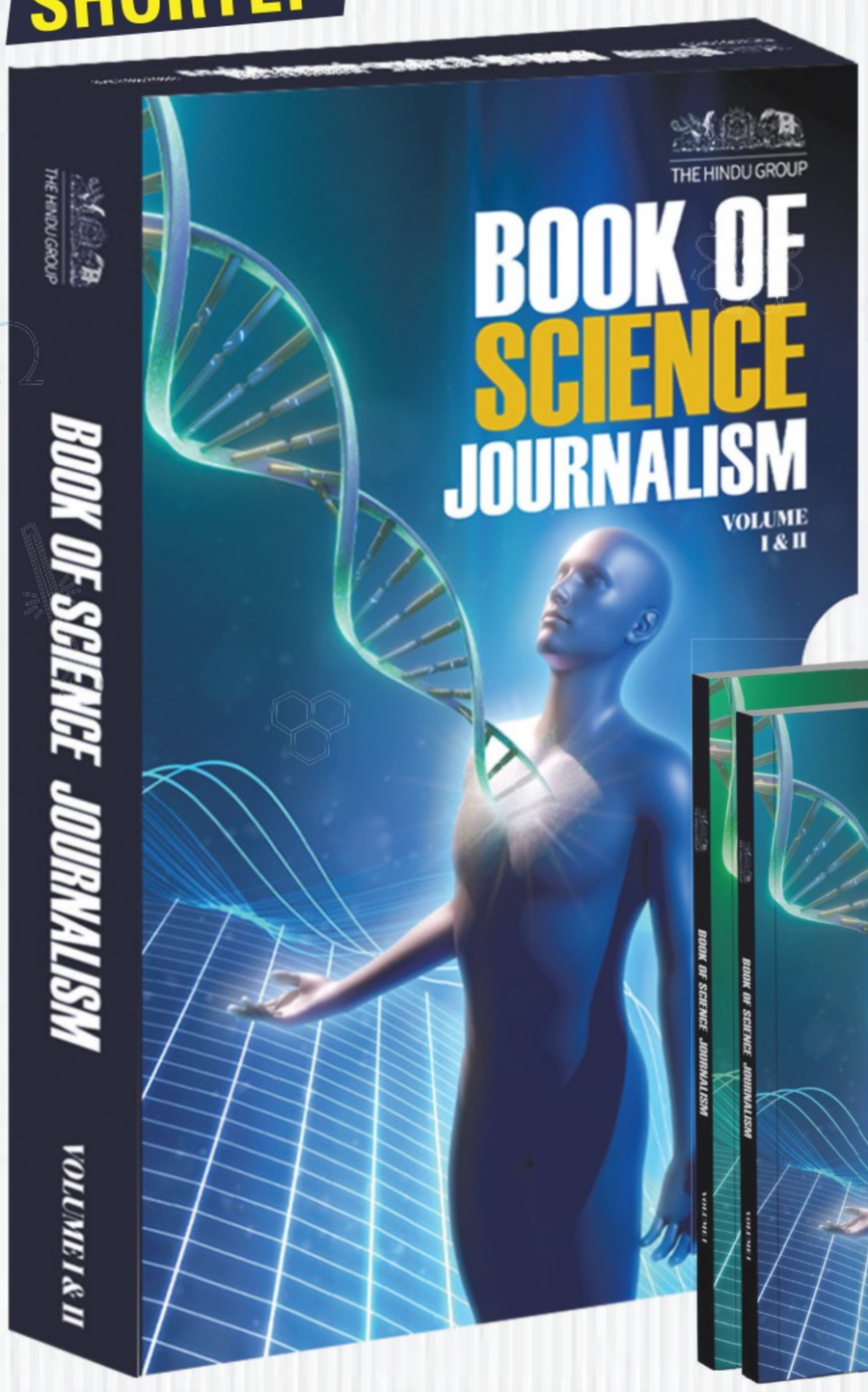
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Rotax Max National karting championship all set to kickstart from today

The 2025 season will feature a new category — Mini Max for racers aged below 11

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Get, Set, Go: Karting champions from across the country will look to represent India in the grand finale. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

The first round of the MECO FMSCI Rotax Max National karting championship will begin at the CoASTT circuit on Saturday.

Six rounds

The championship comprises six rounds with the final rounds slated for November 8 and 9.

The four National champions in the Senior Max, Junior Max, Mini Max and Micro Max categories, will represent India in the Rotax Max Challenge grand finals in Bahrain from November 29 to December 6.

The current season will witness the new Mini Max category, for racers under 11 years of age.

The Senior Max has attracted 34 entries.

The Junior Max class will be headlined by last year's champion Pune's Arafath Sheikh (Crest Motorsport) and Chennai's Eshanth Vengatesan (MSport). Close competition is expected in the Mini Max class which has a bunch of racers who have moved up from Micro Max.

Rivaan Dev Preetham (MSport), along with Hamza Balasinorwala (Crest Motorsports), Rehan Khan Rasheed (MSport)), Yatharth Gaur (Leapfrog Racing) and Danish Dalmiya (Rayo Racing), who were consistently claiming podiums in the Micro Max class last year, have all moved to the new Mini category.

The official practice, qualifying rounds and

Heats will be held on Saturday followed by the prefinal and final on Sunday.

Makeover

Hard at work: The outfield at the M.A. Chidambaram Stadium, Chennai, is being relaid in preparation for the 2026 Men's T20 World Cup. B. JOTHI RAMALINGAM

Levitas Cup cars to roar in JK Tyre National racing

Rayan Rozario
COIMBATORE

Anticipation writ large: Levitas Cup is a one-make racing series founded and run by Shravanthika. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

After the late legendary S. Karivardhan's introduction of FISSME (Formula India Single Seater Maruti Engine) and B. Vijayakumar's FLGB 1300, a new series, Levitas Cup, is set to be launched next month as part of the JK Tyre National Racing Championship.

The Levitas Cup is a one-make racing series founded and run by Shravanthika Lakshmi, a 21-year-old racing driver from Coimbatore.

"We have 16 cars, of which we initially planned for eight rookies and eight professionals. Now with the rookies more interested in getting in, we thought of increasing the number to 10," said Shravanthika, who represented India in the World Motorsport Games in Rome in 2019.

Multiple national racing champion Arjun Narendran, who did the initial testing, was pleased with the performance. "It is really good and a well-balanced car. I was surprised because it was very consistent throughout testing."

The Levitas Cup will be part of the three rounds of the JK National Racing Championship, and there will be eight races in total.

Maharaja Trophy KSCA T20 tournament to be behind closed doors

Ashwin Achal
BENGALURU

All matches of the Maharaja Trophy KSCA T20 will be held behind closed doors without spectators in the stands, the tournament organiser stated on Friday.

The two-week tournament will be held at the M. Chinnaswamy Stadium here on August 11 to 27.

The press release from the organiser did not mention any reason for holding the tournament behind closed doors.

The decision comes after the stampede that occurred outside the M. Chinnaswamy Stadium last month during the celebration of RCB's title win in IPL 2025. Eleven persons lost their lives and several were injured on that fateful evening.

To play in front of empty stands comes as a dampener in this edition of Karnataka's premier T20 league.

The M. Chinnaswamy Stadium is also scheduled to host four matches - three league stage games and one semifinal - of the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup in September and October this year. Karun Nair (Mysore Warriors), Prasidh Krishna (Mysore Warriors) and Mayank Agarwal (Bengaluru Blasters), meanwhile, were amongst the key player retentions.

The player auction is scheduled to be held on July 15. Each team must build squads with a minimum of 16 players and no more than 18 players, excluding two mandatory picks from their respective catchment areas.

Player retention list: Mysore Warriors: Karun Nair, S.U. Karthik, Prasidh Krishna, C.A. Karthik
Bengaluru Blasters: Mayank Agarwal, Suraj Ahuja, Shubhang Hegde, M.G. Naveen
Hubli Tigers: K.L. Shrijith, K.P. Karthikeya, Manvanth Kumar, K.C. Cariappa
Gulbarga Mystics: Vyshak Vijaykumar, R. Smaran, Luvnith Sisodia, Praveen Dubey
Shivamogga Lions: V. Koushik, Nihal Ullal, Hardik Raj, D. Avinash
Mangaluru Dragons: Abhilash Shetty, Macneil Noronha, Paras Gurbax Arya, Lochan Gowda.

LIV Golf applies for OWGR again

Associated Press
NEW YORK

LIV Golf has applied again to be included in the Official World Golf Ranking (OWGR), without any indication how it will operate differently from when its first application was rejected nearly two years ago.

The OWGR said in a statement on Friday it had received the application and has started the review process to determined if the Saudi-funded league of 54 players would be included.

"The OWGR Board is committed to a thorough evaluation process of all applications, and LIV's application will be reviewed in accordance with OWGR's criteria to ensure fairness, integrity and consistency," the OWGR said.

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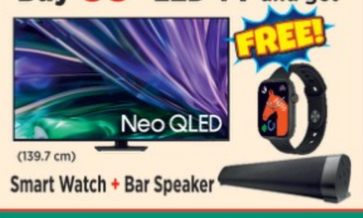

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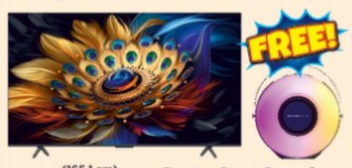

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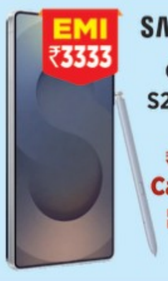

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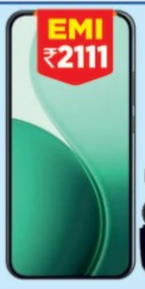

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CM's assertions seen as posing a challenge to high command

Knowing well that the OBC, Dalit, and Muslim vote bank is behind Siddaramaiah, the high command is expected to buy more time, at least till the Bihar elections, to take a decision on the change of guard in the government as well as the KPCC

Nagesh Prabhu
BENGALURU

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah appears to have challenged the authority of the Congress high command by not only asserting that he will continue in the post for the full term, but also claiming that he has the support of a majority of party MLAs.

Mr. Siddaramaiah's repeated remarks are seen as an indication that the system of "rotation" for the Chief Minister's post, said to be floated by the party high command, has remained a non-starter. It is also considered as a setback for Deputy Chief Minister and KPCC chief D.K. Shivakumar, who has been an aspirant ever since the party's victory in 2023.

After Mr. Siddaramaiah's remark, Mr. Shivakumar has for now declined to comment on the issues surrounding the Chief Minister's post.

A message: Siddaramaiah's repeated remarks are seen as an indication that the system of 'rotation' for the Chief Minister's post, said to be floated by the party brass, has remained a non-starter. PTI

Triggers for CM

Mr. Shivakumar's perceived clout with the high command and the one-to-one meetings of AICC general secretary in charge of Karnataka Randeep Singh Surjewala with legislators to collect their opinions in two phases, at the behest of the KPCC chief, was the immediate trigger for Mr. Siddaramaiah's assertion of his authority of not only completing the full term, but also leading the party in the 2028 Assembly polls.

The central leader's intervention to solve the legislators' complaints, largely on the release of funds, has reportedly disturbed Mr. Siddaramaiah, who also holds the Finance portfolio. The Chief Minister's loyalist and Cooperation Minister K.N. Rajanna has openly expressed his displeasure on the one-to-one meetings of the MLAs with Mr. Surjewala.

Mr. Shivakumar's plan to gain support from the legislators loyal to the Chief Minister by allegedly releasing grants from the Water Resources Department to them, and voices emerging from among MLAs projecting him as the next Chief Minister have not gone down well with Mr. Siddaramaiah's camp.

High command's nudge

The high command's nudge to the Chief Minister on his remarks on the terror attack at Pahalgam and directive to him to scrap the Socio-Economic and Educational Survey (caste census) report earlier are seen to be at the behest of Mr. Shivakumar. These apparently embarrassed Mr. Siddaramaiah, a seasoned politician.

Earlier, using his clout with the central leaders, Mr. Shivakumar is believed to have achieved success in stopping the Dalit Ministers' dinner meeting and renaming of the 'Swabhimani Samavesha' by the Chief Minister's supporters as 'Jana Kalyana Samavesha' in Hassan last year. Apparently, these two decisions rattled the loyalists of Mr. Siddaramaiah.

Why circumspect

Knowing well that the other backward classes (OBC), Dalit, and Muslim vote bank is backing the Chief Minister, the high command is expected to buy more time, at least till the Bihar elections, to take a decision on the change of guard in the government as well as the KPCC.

Meanwhile, the Ministers and leaders loyal to Mr. Siddaramaiah appear to have become fully active. Party sources claimed that five Ministers rushed to AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge's residence in Bengaluru on Thursday seeking the replacement of Mr. Shivakumar as the KPCC chief in a move to checkmate the latter.

What political salvos Mr. Shivakumar, who has so far been measured in his responses, would fire in his battle for the Chief Minister's post and at what point in time remains to be seen.

'I'm KPCC chief; will do only what party wants me to do'

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

A day after Chief Minister Siddaramaiah asserted that he would continue in the post for the full term, Deputy Chief Minister and Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee president D.K. Shivakumar on Friday said the party had given him organisational responsibilities and his focus was purely on protecting the interests of the party and the government.

Speaking to reporters at the Kempegowda International Airport and at the KPCC office, Mr. Shivakumar said, "No matter how you twist your questions, I will not take the bait. I will not comment on the topic of leadership change. I am currently focused on fulfilling the responsibilities given by the party. Mallikarjun Kharge has given me 'dheekshe' and I have accepted it happily."

On political discussions

Asked about what political discussions took place in the meeting with the party high command in Delhi, he said, "We have discussed giving positions for our loyal party workers. We have to accommodate many party workers at the taluk and district levels for those who have worked hard for the party. We will include some more party workers and send the proposal once again to Delhi to get approvals."

D.K. Shivakumar

Asked about the Chief Minister's statement that Mr. Shivakumar has the support of only a handful of MLAs, he said, "I am the president of the KPCC and I do what the party wants me to. I was busy yesterday, and I saw the statement of the Chief Minister. He has answered your questions, it is not appropriate to discuss it even after that."

Asked about Mr. Siddaramaiah's statement that he would lead the party in the 2028 elections, he said, "It is his personal statement and he is entitled to it. It is my responsibility as the KPCC president to organise the party. My objective is to protect the interests of the party and the government."

Asked if he would maintain the same level of calm and composure until his is was fulfilled, he said, "I am there only if the party is there. I cease to exist otherwise."

B.T. Lalitha Naik joins Congress

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Former Minister and writer B.T. Lalitha Naik joined the Congress on Friday. She joined the party in the presence of KPCC president and Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakmar at the party office, Bharat Jodo Bhavan, in the city.

Earlier associated with the Janata parivar, the veteran social activist Ms. Naik had served as Minister for Kannada and Culture and Women and Child Welfare. She has also served as an MLC and MLA. She bagged the Karnataka Sahitya Academy award in 1991.

'Decision on naming directors of boards and corporations on July 16'

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Friday said a final decision on appointing directors and members to State boards and corporations would be taken on July 16 in Bengaluru.

In 2023 and 2024, the government appointed 42 legislators as chairpersons of various boards and corporations. But the appointment of directors to boards and corporations has been delayed following the rejection of names given by a panel that identified leaders to the posts.

Mr. Siddaramaiah told reporters that All India Congress Committee general secretary and Karnataka in charge Randeep Singh Surjewala is scheduled to visit Bengaluru on July 16 for further discussions before finalising the names. The first round of discussions with Mr. Surjewala was held on July 10. Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar was also present at the meeting.

"Mr. Surjewala is coming to Bengaluru on July 16, then we are going to finalise the list," Mr. Siddaramaiah said before leaving the national capital.

BJP's defamation case: HC now stays proceedings against Siddaramaiah

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The High Court of Karnataka on Friday stayed the criminal proceedings against Chief Minister Siddaramaiah in a defamation case filed by the Bharatiya Janata Party's State unit for issuing advertisements in various mainstream newspapers "defaming" the then BJP government with "false allegations of corruption" during the campaigning for the 2023 State Legislative Assembly elections.

Justice S.R. Krishna Kumar passed the interim order on the petition filed by

Mr. Siddaramaiah as the proceedings in the defamation case before the trial court is in the stage of framing of the charges.

Stay against DKS

The court last week stayed the proceedings against the Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee and Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar. The proceedings against Rahul Gandhi, the Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha, were stayed by the High Court in January 2025.

What did complaint say

It was alleged in the BJP's complaint that "false, baseless, and reckless" allegations were made under the title 'corruption rate card' in the advertisements issued on May 5, 2023, in all the mainstream newspapers across Karnataka, terming the then BJP government as "40% sarkar" by falsely alleging that the BJP government had "looted over ₹1,50,000 crore from the people of the State during its 2019-2023 regime".

The advertisements were issued by the KPCC through Mr. Shivakumar, in his capacity as its president and endorsed by Mr. Siddaramaiah, as the then Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly, it was alleged in the complaint. It pointed out that Mr. Gandhi had put up these "defamatory advertisements" on his X (formerly Twitter) account.

Govt. wasted money by printing excess stickers for SC survey: Ashok

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

It's an indication of corruption and misuse of taxpayers' money, he says

Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly R. Ashok has ridiculed the government for allegedly wasting 11 lakh stickers, worth ₹25 lakh, that were supposed to have been used for the just-concluded survey of the Scheduled Castes. In a social media post on Friday, Mr. Ashok referred to media reports that the government had printed 35 lakh stickers at a total cost of ₹87 lakh through the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) to create public awareness and also to confirm that the houses concerned had been surveyed. Of them, 11 lakh stickers have remained unused and would have to be dumped now as the survey has ended, the report had stated.

Mr. Ashok described this as an indication of corruption and misuse of taxpayers' money. "The government is now getting ready to dump these unused stickers," he said.

HAL signs agreement with CeNS to promote science

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

To popularise science and promote social outreach, Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd. on Friday signed a memorandum of agreement with the Centre for Nano and Soft Matter Sciences (CeNS) for the establishment of a HAL Advanced Academic Initiation Centre, under its CSR initiatives.

The HAL Advanced Academic Initiation Centre will be established at the CeNS' Arkavathi Campus in Karnataka. It will serve as a dedicated hub for science education under CeNS' flagship Vigyaani Vidyarthi Vichar Vinimay programme, which has engaged over 20,000 students from 200 institutions and introduced them to the latest advancements in science and technology.

"The HAL Advanced Academic Initiation Centre will enable CeNS to reach out to a greater number of students and foster curiosity among young minds, especially those from rural areas," said D.K. Sunil, Chairman and Managing Director of HAL.

Plant Fair inaugurated

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

A three-day 'Plant Fair' was inaugurated at the Regional Horticulture Research and Extension Centre at the University of Horticultural Sciences, GKVK campus, on Friday. S.R. Vishwanath, MLA, inaugurated the exhibition halls and visited stalls showcasing horticultural practices.

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Website: www.tourism.mp.gov.in
CorporateIdentificationNumber(CIN):U75302MP2017NPL043078

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Nit & System No.	Project Name
NIT No.: 4461/ योजना/ म.प्र.टू.बो/2025 and System No.- 2025_ MPTB_436758 Dated 11.07.2025	"Request for Proposal for Selection of Agency Under "Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment 2024-25" For Construction/Supply/Fabrication/Installation And Operation & Maintenance Of Recycled Bus Toilet-Cum-Cafe Units Under The Project "Orchha- A Medieval Splendour"

MPTB invites offers from **"Request for Proposal for Selection of Agency Under "Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment 2024-25" for Construction /Supply/ Fabrication/ Installation and Operation & Maintenance of Recycled Bus Toilet-Cum-Cafe Units under the project "Orchha- A Medieval Splendour".** The detailed terms & conditions can be downloaded from website **https://www.mptenders.gov.in/www.tourism.mp.gov.in** For any other information please contact. Mob. No. +91-9425184809, +91-9993574567 or e-mail at jdplg.mptb@mp.gov.in. Last Date and Time for online submission of the RFP is 28.07.2025 at 5:00 PM.

M.P. Madhyam/121047/2025 **MANAGING DIRECTOR**

Government of Karnataka
(Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Department)
Office of the Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Division, Shivamogga

Tender Notification (Through e-procurement)

No: EE/RWSS/Dvn/SMG/TE/JJM/Kppp-Proc/2025-26/656 Date: 09.07.2025

Tenders have been invited on behalf of Governor of Karnataka and as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 2000 to undertake the following works under Jal Jeevan Mission project in the limits of Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Department, Shivamogga. **Indent No. : 2579 CALL-2**

Tender details, conditions and corrigendum or changes are available in website **https://www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** Eligible tenderers shall submit their tenders and required documents through above portal only.

Few conditions of the tender: (1) Last date for receiving tenders from contractors: **17.07.2025 upto 5.30 P M (2)** Date of opening of double cover technical bid: **19.07.2025 at 11.30 A M. (3)** Opening of double cover financial bid **: 21.07.2025 at 11.30 A M. (4)** Period for completion of works : Double cover **: 06 months. (180 days).**

Sd/-
Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Division, Shivamogga.

DIPR/SMG/No.83-07/Zenkar/2025-26

BENGALURU SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT LIMITED
Office of the Deputy General Manager-3,
1st Floor, UNI Building, Thimmaiah Road, Vasanth Nagar, Bengaluru-560052.

No: DGM-3/BSWML/PR/225/2025-26 Date: 11.07.2025

INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
(Through GOK KPP Portal only)

Bengaluru Solid Waste Management Limited invites EOI from Eligible Firms / Agencies / Individuals for the work:

Name of the Work:
O&M of Truck Mounted Vacuum Based mechanical sweeping of Minimum capacity not less than 5 cum for sweeping of local streets in order to reduce the dust in BBMP Limits.

1. This EOI is invited only for obtaining market rates to prepare the estimates.
2. The details of the EOI can be taken or downloaded the Government of Karnataka Public Procurement portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/ from 14.07.2025.**
3. Last date (deadline) to receive the response is: **19.07.2025 upto 4.00 PM through KPPP portal.**
4. Date of opening of responses is **21.07.2025 after 4.30 PM through KPPP portal.**
5. The Right to Accept/Reject an any or all responses received is reserved with the **Deputy General Manager-3, BSWML** without assigning any reasons thereof.

DIPR/CP/1768/SSC/2025-26

Sd/-
Deputy General Manager-3, BSWML.

Deaths due to spurious brew rise to 8 in Hyderabad

The Hindu Bureau
HYDERABAD

The number of deaths caused by consuming suspected adulterated toddy in Hyderabad rose to eight on Friday, the police said.

"Many families have been cremating the dead without informing the police. While those being cremated also had similar symptoms such as diarrhoea and low blood pressure after consuming the brew, we are not able to confirm such cases. We are monitoring the situation," Assistant Commissioner of Police P. Naresh Reddy said.

A forensic doctor from Gandhi Hospital confirmed that post-mortem examinations on six bodies had been completed.

A total of 59 individuals remain hospitalised across the city. Of these, 34 are undergoing treatment at the Nizam's Institute of Medical Sciences (NIMS), while 25 are in Gandhi Hospital as of 8 p.m. on Friday.

"Nine patients are undergoing dialysis and two more may need dialysis. While nine patients are stable, 11 others remain under observation," NIMS said in its latest bulletin. In Gandhi Hospital, two patients are undergoing dialysis while one has allegedly left the hospital against its advice, the hospital said in a statement.

The affected individuals were brought to hospitals on Tuesday night with symptoms such as diarrhoea, low blood pressure, dizziness, and fatigue.

Low fertility rate in A.P. can hurt economy, says Naidu

CM says State's sub-replacement fertility rate of 1.7, if left unaddressed, can cause labour shortage; he also voices concern over reduced parliamentary representation of southern States in future

The Hindu Bureau
VELAGAPUDI (GUNTUR DT.)

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu has said that the State has a sub-replacement fertility rate of 1.7, which, if unaddressed, can lead to economic slowdown, labour shortage, burden of geriatric care, and widening urban-rural disparities.

The low fertility rate also raises concern over long-term population sustainability, and the need for proactive social and economic planning. These concerns indicate the need for family support programmes, with focus on women and elderly care, upskilling, and balanced regional development.

Population summit: A.P. Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu at the Amaravati Summit on Friday. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

"Besides, there is a need to tackle gender imbalances, teenage pregnancies, and rising prevalence of early hysterectomies. Action in these areas will require real-time data," Mr. Naidu observed while speaking as chief guest in the first Amaravati Summit on World Population Day on Friday.

Policy soon

"It [fertility rate] has to be increased to more than 2.1, for which a comprehensive policy, containing various incentives and necessary support systems, will be brought out soon," he said.

"The days of family planning are gone. Today, more people in a household are like an asset. It is human capital in which we have to invest for the future," he observed, asserting that population was India's strongest economic asset. "When the total fertility rate slides below 2.1, the population will start declining," the Chief Miister insisted.

Also, Mr. Naidu said there was a growing concern about the declining population in South India. "While the number of Parliament seats may increase in the future due to delimitation of constituencies, the southern States can have reduced representation," he opined.

Raja Singh's resignation accepted by BJP leadership

The Hindu Bureau
HYDERABAD

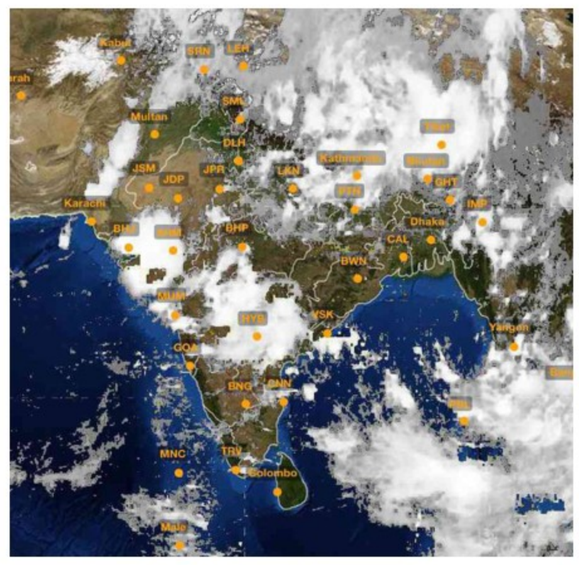
The BJP central leadership has accepted the resignation of three-time Goshamahal MLA T. Raja Singh from the Telangana Legislative Assembly on Friday. This means that there could be another byelection in the State along with the Jubilee Hills Assembly constituency.

Mr. Singh resigned in protest against the Central leadership directing former MLC N. Ramchander Rao to file nomination papers for the party president's post in Telangana.

His attempt to file papers defying the party diktat was negated when election in-charge Shobha Karandlaje refused to accept them pointing out that he did not have the support of 10 State executive committee members.

WEATHERWATCH

Rainfall, temperature & air quality in select metros yesterday



TEMPERATURE DATA: IMD, POLLUTION DATA: CPCB, MAP: INSAT/IMD (TAKEN AT 18.00 HRS)

Forecast for Saturday: Heavy/very heavy rainfall likely at isolated places over Rajasthan, Himachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Assam, Meghalaya, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka and Kerala. Thunderstorm with lightning likely at isolated places over Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Puducherry

CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN	CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN
Agartala	36	34.6	25.2	Kozhikode	7	32.1	25.0
Ahmedabad	—	34.7	27.0	Kurnool	2	35.4	24.8
Aizawl	—	33.7	21.4	Lucknow	11	35.1	25.1
Allahabad	18	30.6	25.5	Madurai	—	41.2	27.3
Bengaluru	0.1	30.0	20.8	Mangaluru	56.5	28.5	23.5
Bhopal	—	32.2	23.8	Mumbai	0.4	32.1	27.4
Bhubaneswar	4.2	35.2	25.6	Mysuru	—	29.0	20.2
Chandigarh	7	34.9	25.7	New Delhi	17	33.2	25.6
Chennai	0.5	39.3	28.7	Patna	—	34.5	27.2
Coimbatore	—	33.2	23.4	Port Blair	8	31.0	26.0
Dehradun	3	32.7	23.6	Puducherry	0.7	37.9	27.6
Gangtok	7	22.5	18.0	Pune	0.8	31.1	24.0
Goa	18	31.8	25.3	Raipur	59	32.2	24.4
Guwahati	—	36.2	26.4	Ranchi	30	28.4	23.0
Hubballi	—	29.0	23.0	Shillong	3.9	26.5	17.5
Hyderabad	—	32.8	24.1	Shimla	34	24.8	19.2
Imphal	—	32.6	26.0	Srinagar	0.2	31.0	17.8
Jaipur	25	29.4	24.2	Thiruvananthapuram	—	32.6	25.2
Kochi	17	30.8	24.8	Tiruchi	—	38.7	27.6
Kohima	1	23.5	19.9	Vijayawada	—	37.4	27.4
Kolkata	8	33.2	26.4	Visakhapatnam	—	33.0	28.3

(Rainfall data in mm; temperature in Celsius)

Pollutants in the air you are breathing

CITIES	SO_2	NO_2	CO	PM2.5	PM10	CODE
Ahmedabad	.14	.54	.58	124	81	
Bengaluru	.10	.15	.40	37	122	
Chennai	5	8	.30	41	117	
Delhi	.32	.76	.52	100	104	
Hyderabad	.12	.33	170	41	95	
Kolkata	3	.45	.28	51	49	
Lucknow	.82	.12	.13	70	52	
Mumbai	.25	.50	.20	64	73	
Pune	.—	.51	.70	37	83	
Visakhapatnam	.11	.53	.27	55	99	

Yesterday

In observation made at 4.00 p.m., Surat, Gujarat recorded an overall air quality index (AQI) score of 330 indicating an unhealthy level of pollution. In contrast, Shillong, Meghalaya recorded a healthy AQI score of 10

Air Quality Code: Poor | Moderate | Good (Readings indicate average AQI)

SO_2: Sulphur Dioxide. Short-term exposure can harm the respiratory system, making breathing difficult. It can affect visibility by reacting with other air particles to form haze and stain culturally important objects such as statues and monuments.

NO_2: Nitrogen Dioxide. Aggravates respiratory illness, causes haze to form by reacting with other air particles, causes acid rain, pollutes coastal waters.

CO: Carbon monoxide. High concentration in air reduces oxygen supply to critical organs like the heart and brain. At very high levels, it can cause dizziness, confusion, unconsciousness and even death.

PM2.5 & PM10: Particulate matter pollution can cause irritation of the eyes, nose and throat, coughing, chest tightness and shortness of breath, reduced lung function, irregular heartbeat, asthma attacks, heart attacks and premature death in people with heart or lung disease

Accident: gate was open when van crossed the track

S. Vijay Kumar
CHENNAI

In a significant breakthrough in the Cuddalore school van-train accident in which three children were killed, investigators have found clinching evidence to prove that the manned level crossing gate at Semmankuppam was open at the time of the collision. The gatekeeper had left the gate (LC-170) open. As a result, the speeding passenger train rammed the van, killing three students and injuring two others, police sources said on Friday.

Gatekeeper Pankaj Sharma gave a private number to the Alapakkam Station Master, claiming that he had closed the gate. However, he had lied. After the accident, he called up the Station Master again and admitted that he had not closed the gate. The conversation took place in the auto voice recorder phone, the sources told *The Hindu*. Explaining the sequence of events on July 8, the sources said the Cuddalore Station Master called up his Alapakkam counterpart at 7.08 a.m., requesting clearance for Train No. 56813 Villupuram-Mayiladuthurai Passenger. The Alapakkam Station Master instructed the gatekeepers of four level crossing gates in his jurisdiction to close the gates.

An inquiry found that the gatekeeper had lied to the Station Master that the gate was closed.

After receiving confirmation that the gates were closed along with private numbers, he informed the Cuddalore Station Master that the line was clear. The train started from Cuddalore at 7.20 a.m. Ten minutes later, he received a call from Pankaj Sharma, who said the train had collided with a school van. Pankaj Sharma also informed that he had given the private number without closing the gate.

The evidence that has emerged corroborates the statements of two survivors – van driver C. Shankar and student Vishwesh – that the gate was open.

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SOUTHERN RAILWAY
Construction Organization, Ernakulam Jn

1.TENDERNOTICE No: 05-CE-CN-ERS-2025-OT Dated. 08/07/2025.
Name of work: Proposed Construction and extension of Platforms etc SRR Yard
Tender Value: ₹ 6650.35 Lakhs. Bid Security: ₹ 34,75,200/-
Completion Period: 24 Months
Date and time of tender closing : 04/08/2025. 15.00 Hrs

2.TENDER NOTICE No: 06-CE-CN-ERS-2025-OT Dated. 08/07/2025.
Name of work: Proposed manual linking of track etc, between Neyyatinkara (excl) and Parassala.
Tender Value: ₹ 1344.15 Lakhs. Bid Security: ₹ 822100/-
Completion Period: 24 Months
Date and time of tender closing : 04/08/2025.15.00 Hrs

3.TENDER NOTICE No: 09-CE-CN-ERS-2025-EPC Dated. 08/07/2025.
Name of work: Redevelopment of Ernakulam Jn Railway Station in EPC mode.
Tender Value: ₹ 35002.21 Lakhs. Bid Security: ₹ 1,75,01,100/-
Completion Period: 24 Months.
Date of pre-bid meeting: 28.07.2025 11.00 Hrs
Date and time of tender closing: 26/08/2025.15.00 Hrs

Complete details and tender document will be available at https://www.ireps.gov.in
Chief Engineer/Construction, Ernakulam Jn

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer(QA/QC-East), Room No. 101, Annex-3 Building, BBMP, N.R. Square, Bengaluru-02
No.: EE(QA/QC)/East/TEND/06/25-26 Date: 11.07.2025
SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Two Cover System) (Only through KPP Portal)
The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Quality Assurance / Quality Control division invites Request for Proposal from interested persons / firms those **who have done similar type of work** for **Consultancy Services for Project Management including Supervision, Quality control (PMC) for** the below work through KPP Portal by the Executive Engineer QA/QC-East.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work
1	Providing PMC Services including Supervision, Quality control for Development of Perumala and Kempegowda Park in East Zone. **Estimate Cost of Main Work (Rs. in Lakhs):** 332.10, **EMD amount in Rs.:** 6,900/-.

Time Schedule / Calendar of events: (1) Tender document may be downloaded through KPP portal from: **14.07.2025. (2)** Pre-bid meeting: **18.07.2025** at **11:30 a.m.** Office of the Executive Engineer (QA/QC), R.no. 101, Annex-3 Building, BBMP N.R. Square, Bengaluru-560 002. **(3)** Last date & time for receipt of tenders: **24.07.2025** upto **4:00 p.m. (4)** Opening of Technical bid: **25.07.2025** at **4:30 p.m.** Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours or website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**
Sd/- Executive Engineer, QA/QC-East, BBMP

Government of Karnataka
OFFICE OF DEUPTY COMMISSIONER (DISTRICT URBAN DEVELOPMENT CELL, HAVERI)
Ph.: 08375-249097, E-mail : eedudchaver@gmail.com
ನಂ:ಪುಸ(2)/ವಹಿ–75/2023–24 ದಿನಾಂಕ : 09–7–2025
TENDER NOTIFICATION
The Projector Director, District Urban Development Cell, Haveri District invites e-tenders for Work Indent **Number : OW/Work Indent/4888/Call-5.** Interested Contractor can download the tender documents from the e-procurement portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**
Sd/- **PROJECT DIRECTOR**
District Urban Development Cell
Haveri District, Haveri

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer, (Padmanabhanagara Division), Opp to Sagar Hospitals, Kumaraswamy layout, Bengaluru-560078. Telephone: 080-26669585, E-Mail-eepnbbmp@gmail.com
No.EE(PN)/TEND/06/2025-26 Date: 10.07.2025
TENDER NOTIFICATION
(SINGLE COVER SYSTEM)
(Through GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Only)
The Executive Engineer, Padmanabhanagara Division, BBMP Bengaluru Invites tenders from eligible contractors registered In Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike or equivalent registration with CPWD/KPWD/ Railways/ MES or any State Government Organizations for the constructions of work detailed in the table below. The tenderers may submit tenders for works given in the table through GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal **(viz: https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in).** The tenderers are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria specified in Clause 3 of the instructions to tenderers to qualify for award of the contract (standard tender document KW-1). **2.**Tender documents can be downloaded from the GOK Karnataka Public Procurement portal. **3.**Tenders must be submitted online through GOK kppp portal on or before **16.00 hours** on **11-08-2025** and the opening of tenders will be as per the GOK KPP portal guidelines. **4.** Other details can be seen in the tender document.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work/Approximate value of work (Rs in Lakhs)/ EMD amount in Rs./ Category
1	Dismantling Residential building deviated portions at Site No. 1, 5th B Main road, Tata Silk Farm, Bangalore in Ward No-167. **(4th Call).** Approximate Value of work (Rs. in Lakhs) : **7.50,** EMD (in Rupees)**: 18,750/-, Category : Others**
2	Dismantling Residential building deviated portions at Property No. 5 (Old No. 155). 27th Cross road, 6th block Jayanagar, Bangalore in Ward No-167. **(4th Call)** Approximate Value of work (Rs. in Lakhs) : **3.75,** EMD (in Rupees)**: 9,375/-, Category : Others**
3	Dismantling Residential building deviated portions at Property No. 36/11, S.Kariyappa road, Papu Cottage, Bangalore in Ward No-167. **(4th Call).** Approximate Value of work (Rs. in Lakhs) : **7.00,** EMD (in Rupees)**: 17,500/-, Category : Others**
4	Dismantling of Un-authorised building constructed by Yashodha and Ravi at Site No.117. 3rd Main Road, ittamadu, Bangalore Ward No-161. Approximate Value of work (Rs. in Lakhs) : **4.85,** EMD (in Rupees)**: 12,125/-, Category : Others**
5	Demolition of Un-authorised building constructed by Owner Smt. Devamma in site No. 133, 5th Cross road, T.G. Layout, Ittamadu, Manjunathanagara, BSK 3rd Stage, Bangalore in Ward No-209 (Old Ward No-161). Approximate Value of work (Rs. in Lakhs) : **6.00,** EMD (in Rupees)**: 15,000/-, Category : Others**

1)Financial Bids will be opened on the website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** the office of the Executive Engineer (Padmanabhanagara) on or after **12.08.2025 at 16:05 hours.**
Sd/- Executive Engineer, (Padmanabhanagara Division), BBMP.

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED
(RAICHUR THERMAL POWER STATION)
CIN : U85110KA1970SGC001919
TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through KPP portal only)
Tenders are invited for the following works through e-procurement portal **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** : **(1)** No. KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_ INDENT3175, Annual Contract for Servicing of Wagon Tipplers and allied equipments, clearing of static weigh bridge pits of wagon tipplers in CHP-2 at RTPS. Approx. amount put to tender(Exclusive of GST): **Rs. 1,86,92,138/-.** EMD: **Rs. 2,80,500/-. (2)** No. KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_ INDENT3176, Annual Contract for Servicing of Primary crusher and allied equipments at CHP-2/RTPS. Approx. amount put to tender(Exclusive of GST): **Rs. 1,47,39,765/-.** EMD: **Rs. 2,21,100/-. (3)** No. KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_ INDENT3177, Annual Contract for Servicing of Secondary Crusher and allied equipments at CHP-2/RTPS. Approx. amount put to tender(Exclusive of GST): **Rs. 1,18,11,165/-.** EMD: **Rs. 1,77,200/-. (4)** No. KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_ INDENT3178, Annual Contract for Servicing of Shuttle Conveyor and allied equipments, clearing of choked/ wet coal from coal feeders of Units-5 to 8 and Transportation of coal from mill feeder floor to the coal stock yard in CHP-2/RTPS. Approx. amount put to tender(Exclusive of GST): **Rs. 2,42,50,090/-.** EMD: **Rs. 3,63,400/-. (5)** No.KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_ INDENT3179, Annual Contract for Servicing of Stacker/Reclaimer and allied equipments, operation and maintenance of DE and DS Systems at CHP-2/RTPS. Approx. amount put to tender(Exclusive of GST): **Rs. 1,56,13,888/-.** EMD: **Rs. 2,34,300/-. (6)** No. KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_ INDENT3180, Annual Contract for Servicing, Repair/Rectification and operation of dozers, Hydraulic Excavator and Fire Quenching of coal stack yard at CHP-2/RTPS. Approx. amount put to tender(Exclusive of GST): **Rs. 1,01,08,392.55.** EMD: **Rs. 1,51,700/-. (7)** No. KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_ INDENT3141, Dtd: 01.07.2025, Supply, Refurbishment, Testing & commissioning of Plate Heat Exchanger of U-1 to 4. EMD: **Rs. 1,00,300/-. (8)** No. KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_ INDENT3163, Dtd: 01.07.2025 Supply, erection of Alloy Steel Pipes of MS/CRH/HRH/HPBP line drains towards flash tanks & LP piping's of cooling water system/Air System of Unit-1 to 4. EMD: **Rs. 55,000/-. (9)** No. KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_ INDENT3164, Dtd: 01.07.2025, RTPS-Design, Supply, erection, testing and commissioning of Sodium Chlorite and Hydrochloric acid day tank at CWP forebay-2&3. EMD: **Rs. 59,000/-. (10)** No. KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_ INDENT3156, Dtd: 27.06.2025, Routine, preventive and AOH maintenance of Electrical Equipment for Unit-5 to 8 of CHPE-2 at RTPS for a period of One year. EMD: **Rs. 2,04,079/-. (11)** No. KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_ INDENT3040/CALL-2, Dtd: 02.07.2025, RTPS-Rubber lining with new natural rubber in place of damaged portion in various types of vessels of DM Plant-1&2 for the period of one year. EMD: **Rs. 16,250/-. (12)** No. KPCL/2025-26/EL/WORK_ INDENT3207, Dtd: 04.07.2025, Supply, erection, testing and commissioning of 3200A & 800A LT Air Circuit Breaker in Unit#2 to 4 from reputed firms/ organisations/contractors. The last date for submission of tender: **21.07.2025, 17.30 hrs** for Sl.No. (1) to (6), **16.07.2025** for Sl.No. (7) & (8), **21.07.2025 up to 16.30 hrs.** for Sl.No. (9), **17.07.2025 up to 17.00 hrs** for Sl.No. (10) and **16.07.2025, 17.00 hrs** for Sl.No. (11) & (12). Further details can be had from the Executive Engineer(CHP)M-2, M: 9448290758 **for Sl. No. (1) to (6),** Executive Engineer(TM-1), M: 9449597971 **for Sl. No. (7) & (8),** Executive Engineer(CAM-1) **for Sl. No. (9),** Executive Engineer(CHP)E-2, M: 9449598948/9449596593 **for Sl. No. (10),** Executive Engineer(CAM)-2 **for Sl. No. (11),** Executive Engineer(OLA)E, M: 9449598846, Email: eeolaertpskpcl@karnataka.gov.in or eeolartps@gmail.com, **for Sl. No. (12), RTPS,** KPCL, Shaktinagar-584170, Raichur District.

Public Works Department
Chikkaballapur Division, Chikkaballapur
(I.F.T) No.05/2025-26 Date: 08.07.2025
(For Road - Const Works –As per SBD KW 2,3 & 4 in Two Tender Document System (Two Cover)
On behalf of The Governor of Karnataka, as per KPPP Act 2000, the undersigned invite tenders for works in two cover system through KPP Portal from eligible contractors registered in PWD. Those interested in participating in the tender can submit the tenders **from Date: 08-07-2025 to 23-07-2025 up to 04:00 pm**. Further details may be obtained from the above office during hours on works days or from websites **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**
Sd/- EE, PWD Division, Chikkaballapur
DIPR/CHIKKABALLAPUR/R.O.NO:124/KSMCA/2025-26

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ನಂ.ಪು.ಕಾ.ಕೋ.ಅ/ತಾಂ.ಶಾ/ಟೆಂ/02/2025–26 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 11.07.2025
ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ
2025–26ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ಎಸ್.ಎಫ್.ಸಿ ಮುಕ್ತನಿಧಿ, ಎಸ್ಸಿಎಸ್ಪಿ ಮತ್ತು ನಗರಸಭಾ ನಿಧಿಯ ಎಸ್ಸಿಎಸ್ಪಿ ಹಾಗು ಇತರೆ ಅನುದಾನದಡಿ ಕೈಗೊಂಡಿರುವ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ Indent No: DMA/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT43850 (SC) ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ.3.84 ಲಕ್ಷ DMA/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT43888 (CAT-IIA) ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ.0.73 ಲಕ್ಷ DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT 43907 ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ.0.425 ಲಕ್ಷ DMA/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT 43912 ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ.8.46 ಲಕ್ಷ DMA/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT 43921 ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ.5.00 ಲಕ್ಷ DMA/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT 43948 ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ.6.98 ಲಕ್ಷ DMA/2025-26/BD/WORK_INDENT 43951 ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ.4.01 ಲಕ್ಷ ಮತ್ತು DMA/2025-26/IND4982 ನಿರ್ವಹಿಸಲು ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಡಾಕ್ಯುಮೆಂಟ್‌ನ ಷರತ್ತು ಹಾಗೂ ಸೂಚನೆಗೊಳಪಟ್ಟು ನೋಂದಾಯಿತ ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಿನಾಂಕದ ವಿವರಗಳು: ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 17.07.2025 ಸಂಜೆ 17.00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ,** ಟೆಂಡರ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 18.07.2025 ಸಂಜೆ 17.30 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ,** DMA/2025-26/SE5680 ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ.6.00 ಲಕ್ಷ, ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 25.07.2025 ಸಂಜೆ 17.00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ,** ಟೆಂಡರ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 28.07.2025ರ ಸಂಜೆ 17.30 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ,** ಯಾವುದೇ ದಿನಾಂಕಗಳಲ್ಲಿನ ಮುಂದೂಡಿಕೆ ಮತ್ತು ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿಗಳಿದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು ಯಾವುದೇ ವಾರ್ತ ಪತ್ರಿಕೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಲಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಕಛೇರಿಯ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಶಾಖೆಯಿಂದ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ.
ಸಹಿ /– ಮುಖ್ಯಾಧಿಕಾರಿ ಪುರಸಭೆ, ಕೋನಪ್ಪನ ಅಗ್ರಹಾರ
ಸಹಿ/– ಆಡಳಿತಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು ಪುರಸಭೆ, ಕೋನಪ್ಪನ ಅಗ್ರಹಾರ
ವಾಸಾಸಂಇ/ವಾ.ಪ್ರ/1761/ಎಸ್ಎಸ್ಪಿ/2025–26

ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯ, ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ.
ನಂ:ದಾಮಪಾ:ಕಾಅ1.ಇ.ಟೆಂಡರ್:15:2025–26 ದಿನಾಂಕ:05–07–2025
ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ
(ಕೆಪಿಪಿಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ)
2025–26 ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಗೆ ವಂತಿಕೆ ಪಾವತಿಸುವುದು.–05 ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳು, 2025–26 ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಯ ಶೇಕಡ 24.10–01 ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳು, 2024–25 ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ ನಿಧಿ (4ನೇ ಕರೆ) :–01 ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ, 2025–26 ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಯ ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ ನಿಧಿ– 02 ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ, 2025–26 ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಯ ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ ನಿಧಿ (ಮಳಿಗೆ ನಿಧಿ) – 01 ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ, ಎಸ್ ಬಿ ಎಂ ಅರ್ಬನ್ 2.0–– 01 ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ, ಒಟ್ಟು 11 ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಕೆಪಿಪಿಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಸಿಂಗಲ್/ಡಬಲ್ ಕವರ್ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಕರೆಯಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು/ಏಜನ್ಸಿದಾರರು/ ಸರಬರಾಜುದಾರರು ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ವೆಬ್ ಸೈಟ್ https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in ನಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಾಗಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದು ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಯ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ವೆಬ್ ಸೈಟ್ www.davanagerecity.mrc.gov.in ರಲ್ಲಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಕೆಪಿಪಿಪಿ ಸಹಾಯಕ ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: +91–8046010000 +91–8068948777 ರಿಂದ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು. ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ, ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಿಟ್ಟ ಮೊತ್ತ, ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ. ಮೊತ್ತ ಮತ್ತು ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಿನಾಂಕಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಯಾವುದೇ ಬದಲಾವಣೆ ಇದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆಪಿಪಿಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಗಮನಿಸುವುದು ಹಾಗೂ ಯಾವುದೇ ಪತ್ರಿಕಾ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಗಳನ್ನು ಹೊರಡಿಸಲಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.
ಕ್ರಮ ಸಂ.01 ರಿಂದ 06 & 08, 09, 10, 11 ರ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗೆ : ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಯಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾದ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 10–07–2025
ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿ: 24–07–2025 ಸಮಯ : 16.00
ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಅಂತಿಮ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 24–07–2025 ಸಮಯ : 17.00
ಟೆಂಡರ್/ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 28–07–2025 ಸಮಯ : 11.00
ಕ್ರಮ ಸಂ.07 ರ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗೆ:– ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಯಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾದ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 10–07–2025 ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಬಿಡ್ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 24–07–2025
ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿ: 08–08–2025 ಸಮಯ : 16.00
ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಅಂತಿಮ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 08–08–2025 ಸಮಯ : 17.00
ಟೆಂಡರ್/ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 11–08–2025 ಸಮಯ : 11.00
ವಾಸಾಇ/ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ/199/ಕೆಎಸ್ಎಂಸಿಎ/2025–26
ಸಹಿ/–ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು, ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ, ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer, SWD, West Zone, BBMP, 9th Floor, Jayanagar Shopping Complex, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560 011.

No. EE/SWD/WZ/TEND/01/2025-26 Date: 11.07.2025

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER-2nd Call

Two Cover System (Only through GoK KPP Portal)

The Executive Engineer, SWD-West Zone, BBMP, Bengaluru on behalf the Commissioner, BBMP invites Tenders from eligible contractors registered in BBMP or equivalent registration with CPWD / KPWD / Railways / MES / National Highway or any State Govt. Organisations for the following work.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work	Amount put to Tender (Rs. in lakhs)	EMD Amount (Rs. in lakhs)
1	Providing fencing along the SWD at identified critical locations to avoid solid waste being thrown to SWD in East, West, South, Yelahanka, Mahadevapura, Bommanahali, R.R. Nagara and Dasarahalli Zone - Call-2.	385.00 (+18% GST)	5.80

Period of completion (Including monsoon) : **9 months.**

Calendar of Events: **(1)** Tender documents may be downloaded from KPP Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 14.07.2025. (2)** Date of Pre-bid meeting : **18.07.2025 at 16.30 hrs. at the office of the Chief Engineer, SWD, BBMP, 9th Floor, Shopping Complex, Jayanagar 4th Block, Bengaluru-11.** **(3)** Last date & time for receipt of tenders : **29.07.2025 upto 16.00 hrs. (4)** Date of opening of Technical bid : **30.07.2025 by 16.30 hrs. (5)** Date of opening of Financial bid : **will be intimated to the technically qualified bidders after 31.07.2025.** Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours or from KPP Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer
SWD - West Zone, BBMP

Bangalore-Mysore Infrastructure Corridor Area Planning Authority

No. 5, Second Floor, Looplane, Race Course Road, Bengaluru-560009. Tel: 080-22341230/35, E-mail: bmicapa@gmail.com

No:BMICAPA/CLU-02/31/2025-26/583 Date: 11.07.2025

PUBLICATION

(UNDER SEC 14(A) OF KTCP ACT, 1961)

Sri Appaiah, Sri Jose Ambrose, Sri Maligela Subramanyam, Sri Puttananjaiah.S, Sri Dinesha.S.L, Sri Chikkalakkaiah and Sri.S.Shrinivasaiah Rep by their GPA Holder **M/S LTG Infrastructure Limited,** Rep by its Authorised Signatory **Sri. H.P.Lakshmana** has applied to this Authority seeking Change of land use from **"Agriculture"** Zone to **"Residential"** purpose pertaining to **Sy.No:22/1 extent of 02 Acre-26 Guntas** and **Sy.No:23/1 extent of 02 Acre-04 Guntas** (Including 0Acre-04Guntas 'A' Kharab) totally measuring **04Acre-30Guntas** of Kodiyalakarenahalli Village, Bidadi Hobli, Ramanagara Taluk, Bengaluru South District under Sec 14(A) of KTCP Act 1961. The foresaid lands are reserved for Agriculture zone in approved Master plan. Applicant has stated that the change of land use sought is in the interest of public by quoting the following;

(1) If these lands are developed, therein well developed sites/houses will be available to all. (2) If these lands are developed, job facilities will be available to all sectors of labourers. (3) If these lands are developed the surrounding area will also get developed. (4) If these lands are developed, good road, civic amenity sites and parks etc, will be available for General Public. (5) If these lands are developed and layout is formed thereon, it will help the workers working near by Bidadi Industrial Area in obtaining residential sites/houses in the said lands.

Objections, if any, are invited from the public, any person may file his/her objection to **Member Secretary, BMICAPA, Bengaluru** in writing to the above address mentioned in this publication within 15 days from this notice. Any objections received after stipulated time will not be considered.

Sd/- Member Secretary,
B.M.I.C.A.P.A., Bengaluru.

DIPR/CP/YC/1765/2025-26

INNOVATE KARNATAKA — K-tech

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE NO. KITS/IT/SUPR/1/2023-IT-KITS

The Department of Electronics, IT and Bt Government of Karnataka launched the **Grassroot Innovation Programme** to identify, promote and support innovation at the Grassroot level and upgrade them for wider applications and to reduce the burden of rural households. Assistance shall be provided to Grassroot innovators such as Farmers, Artisans, Labourers, Technicians and others to commercialize their innovations. A maximum financial grant of up to Rs.4 lakhs is provided to feasible projects.

In this view, KITS invites applications from eligible innovators across Karnataka to participate in Grassroot Innovation Programme for FY 2025-26.

The interested innovators are required to submit the online application in the prescribed proforma in form link: https://forms.gle/rfUn6FUwN7MZG1fz7 and the detailed eligibility criteria is also mentioned in the form link.

The deadline for submission of application is **14/08/2025, 5:00 PM.**

Sd/-
Managing Director

KARNATAKA INNOVATION & TECHNOLOGY SOCIETY (KITS)
Department of Electronics, IT & BT, Government of Karnataka
BKG Sapphire, # 59, 3rd Floor, Railway Parallel Road, Kumara Park West, Seshadripuram, Bengaluru-560020. Tel: 080-22231006
E-mail: eventsec.kits@gmail.com

DIPR/CP/1766/AKAR/2025-26

DIRECTORATE OF MINORITIES

Maulana Azad Bhavan, No.16C, Miller Tank Bund Road, Vasantnagar, Bengaluru - 560 052.

No: DOM/DEVP/Infra/CR-113/2024-25 Date: 10.07.2025

Announcement of Short Term Re-Tender

Short term Re-tender has been invited by the Directorate of Minorities through eProcurement portal in double-envelope system for Supplier to supply "Printer" to the Minority Residential Schools/Colleges and Moulana Azad Model schools in the academic year 2025-26. Details are given below. Interested bidders should apply through online mode under e-Procurement portal.

Sl. No.	Details	Date/Time
1.	Date of Tender Publication	11.07.2025
2.	Tender Amount:	Rs. 495.00 Lakhs.
3.	EMD Amount:	Rs.7,42,500/-
4.	Pre-bid meeting:	16.07.2025 at 11:30 a.m.
5.	Last date and time for submission of tender:	25.07.2025 by 5:30 p.m.
6.	Date and time of Technical bid opening:	28.07.2025 at 11:30 a.m.
7.	Date and time of Financial bid opening:	31.07.2025 at 11:30 a.m.
8.	Place of tender opening and contact address:	Maulana Azad Bhawan, No.16C, Miller tank Bed Road, Vasantnagar, Bengaluru - 560052.
9.	Telephone No. to be contacted	080-22535902/ 080-22535918.

Other details can be obtained from the website of the Directorate of Minorities **https://dom.karnataka.gov.in** and e-Procurement website at **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/-
Director
Directorate of Minorities, Bengaluru

DIPR/CP/1782/25-26

Improved Rail Connectivity for Karnataka's Prosperity
"Indian Railways is not only a medium to connect distances, but it is also becoming an important medium to connect the country's culture, tourism and pilgrimage centres"
- Narendra Modi, Prime Minister
Flagging off of
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Upto Sindhanur
BENEFITS
• Ease of travel to passengers especially businessmen, software professionals, and students from Sindhanur area to cities like Hubballi and Bengaluru
• Direct rail connectivity from Sindhanur to Bengaluru and Hubballi will improve access to markets, education, and healthcare facilities
• Enhanced connectivity to Northern Karnataka, boosting economic and social ties with the state capital
• Sindhanur, a key agricultural region, will benefit from better market access for crops like rice and cotton, enhancing farmer incomes
By
V. Somanna
Union Minister of State for Railways and Jal Shakti
Vanue: Sindhanur Railway Station
Date: 12.07.2025 Time: 01:00 PM
You are cordially invited
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www.swr.indianrailways.gov.in South Western Railway - SWR SWRRLY SWRAILWAYHQ sw_railways

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ

ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ

ಪಂಚಾಯತ್‌ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಮೈಸೂರು–570023.

ಸಂ./ಕಾಅ/ಪಂ.ರಾ.ಇಂ.ವಿ/ಮೈ/ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್/ಸ.ಇಂ/ಕಿ.ಇಂ.

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯಿಂದ ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ ರೀತ್ಯಾ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ತಿ.ನರಸೀಪುರ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ 2023–24ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ಕಾಲೋನಿ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ/ಪ್ರಗತಿ ಕಾಲೋನಿ ಯೋಜನೆಯ ಲೆಕ್ಕಶೀರ್ಷಿಕೆಯಡಿ ಅನುಮೋದನೆಯಾದ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ KW-4 ರೀತ್ಯಾ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಸದರಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಫಾರಂಗೆ ಅರ್ಜಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಮತ್ತು ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡಿದ ಫಾರಂಗಳನ್ನು ಆನ್ ಲೈನ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ದಿ: 07.07.2025 ರಿಂದ ದಿ: 01.08.2025 ರವರೆಗೆ ಸಂಜೆ 16.00 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಸ್ಪಷ್ಟೀಕರಣ/ವಿಚಾರಿಸಿ, ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಅಂತಿಮ ದಿ: 30.07.2025ರ ಸಂಜೆ 16.00 ಘಂಟೆಯಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಟೆಂಡರ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿ: 02.08.2025ರ ಸಂಜೆ 17.00 ಘಂಟೆಯ ನಂತರ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಫಾರಂ ಬೆಲೆ ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್‌ನಂತೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬೇಕು. ಸದರಿ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ವಿವರಗಳು ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತೆ ಇರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಕ್ರ ಸಂ.	ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಹೆಸರು/ಪ್ಯಾಕೇಜ್ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ	ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ.ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)	ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಿಟ್ಟ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೊಬಲಗು (ರೂ.ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)	ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ. ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ.ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)
01.	ತಿ.ನರಸೀಪುರ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು ಸೋಸಲೆ, ಸೋಮನಾಥಪುರ ಮತ್ತು ತುರಗನೂರು ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಪಂಚಾಯಿತಿ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯ ಆಯ್ದ ಗ್ರಾಮಗಳ ಪರಿಶಿಷ್ಟ ಜಾತಿ ಬೀದಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಿಸಿ ಚರಂಡಿ ಮತ್ತು ರಸ್ತೆ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ (ಸೋಸಲೆ, ಸಿದ್ದನಹುಂಡಿ, ವ್ಯಾಸರಾಜಪುರ, ಚಿಕ್ಕಬೂಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಕೋಳಿಮಲ್ಲನಹುಂಡಿ, ಬೆನಕನಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಇಕ್ಕಲಗೆರೆ, ಸೋಮನಾಥಪುರ, ಮಲಿಯೂರು, ತುರುಗನೂರು ಯಾಜೇನಹಳ್ಳಿ ಮತ್ತು ಯಡಹಳ್ಳಿ) (Indent No.RDPR/2025-26/RD/WORK INDENT16290)	240.00	201.79	3,03,000.00
02.	ತಿ.ನರಸೀಪುರ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು ಮೂಗೂರು ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಪಂಚಾಯಿತಿ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯ ಆಯ್ದ ಗ್ರಾಮಗಳ ಪರಿಶಿಷ್ಟ ಜಾತಿ ಬೀದಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಿಸಿ ಚರಂಡಿ ಮತ್ತು ರಸ್ತೆ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ (ಮೂಗೂರು, ವಾಟಾಳು, ಹಾಕನೂರು, ಸುಜ್ಜಲೂರು, ಕೊತ್ತೇಗಾಲ, ಕುರುಬೂರು, ಕನ್ನಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಮಾಡ್ರಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಚೌಹಳ್ಳಿ, ನಿಲಸೋಗೆ, ಅಕ್ಕೂರು, ಮಾಡರನಪುರ, ಸಿ.ಬಿ.ಹುಂಡಿ ಮತ್ತು ಮರಡಿಪುರ) (Indent No.RDPR/2025-26/RD/WORK INDENT16289)	250.00	210.17	3,15,500.00
03.	ತಿ.ನರಸೀಪುರ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ತಲಕಾಡು ಮತ್ತು ಸೋಸಲೆ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಪಂಚಾಯಿತಿ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯ ಆಯ್ದ ಗ್ರಾಮಗಳ ಪರಿಶಿಷ್ಟ ಜಾತಿ ಬೀದಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಿಸಿ ಚರಂಡಿ ಮತ್ತು ರಸ್ತೆ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ (ಬಿ.ಶೆಟ್ಟಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಹೊಸಕುಕ್ಕೂರು, ವಿಜಾಪುರ, ಬಣವೆ, ಕಾಳಿಹುಂಡಿ, ಪರಿನಾಮಿಪುರ, ಮೇದಿನಿ, ಕಲಿಯೂರು, ಜಯಪುರ, ಟಿ.ದೊಡ್ಡಪುರ, ಚಿದರಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಬೊಮ್ಮನಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಕಿಂಪನಪುರ, ಎಸ್. ದೊಡ್ಡಪುರ ಮತ್ತು ರಾಮೇಗೌಡನಪುರ). (Indent No.RDPR/2025-26/RD/WORK INDENT16185)	240.00	201.80	3,03,000.00
04.	ತಿ.ನರಸೀಪುರ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ಗರ್ಗೇಶ್ವರಿ ಮತ್ತು ಸೋಸಲೆ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಪಂಚಾಯಿತಿ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯ ಆಯ್ದ ಗ್ರಾಮಗಳ ಪರಿಶಿಷ್ಟ ಜಾತಿ ಬೀದಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಿಸಿ ಚರಂಡಿ ಮತ್ತು ರಸ್ತೆ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ (ಎಸ್.ಮೇಗಡಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಮುಸುವಿನಕೊಪ್ಪಲು, ಕಯ್ಯಂಬಳ್ಳಿ, ಎಂ. ಕೆಜ್ಜೆಹುಂಡಿ, ದೊಡ್ಡಬಾಗಿಲು, ಕಾರುಗಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಹೊಸನರೀಪುರ, ಹೊರಳಹಳ್ಳಿ ಮತ್ತು ಕರುಹಟ್ಟಿ) (Indent No.RDPR/2025-26/RD/WORK INDENT16537)	215.00	180.74	2,71,500.00

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Sl. No.	1)Name of the Borrower / Guarantor(s) 2)Name of the Branch and Secured Creditor	1) Secured Debt outstanding 2) Reserve Price 3) Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Amount	1) Last date of deposit of EMD 2) Last date of KYC documents 3) EMD A/c no. 4) Bid Factor	1. Date of Auction 2. Time of Auction 3. Date & Time of Inspection
1	**1) Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s) :** **1) Narayanaswamy M S/o Munivenkatappa** Masthenahalli (V) , Srinivaspur (Tq) , Kolar (Dist) Karnataka 563135. **2)Sandeep M N S/o Narayanaswamy 3)Chaitra M N S/o Narayanaswamy 4)Bhavani M N S/o Narayanaswamy 5) Sowmya M N S/o Narayanaswamy 6) Anusha M N S/o Narayanaswamy 7)Sowbhagya M R W/o Nagarajegowda** **All Are residing at :** Masthenahalli (V), Srinivaspur (Tq) Kolar (Dist), Karnataka 563135. **Also at: Sowbhagya M R W/o Nagaraje Gowda** Ammerahalli (V),Kondarajanahalli (P), Kasaba Hobli Kolar Taluk & District 563102. **8)Gopalkrishne Gowda S/o muniyappa** c o nagara 02 wr dsr apts ,Nagondanahalli whitefield immedihalli b.o Bangalore Urban,karnataka 560066. **2) Canara Bank - Hi Tech - Agricultural Finance Branch** **Mob. No. 9797408004**	**1) Rs. 2,97,08,839.72** plus further interest & charges **2) Mentioned each property below.**	1) 29.07.2025 upto 5.00 pm 2)29.07.2025 upto 5.00 pm 3) EMD Payment to E-Wallet or through Challan generated in M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (BAANKNET) portal. 4) Rs. 1,00,000/-	1. 30.07.2025 2. 11.00 am to 2.00 pm 3. 28.07.2025 10.00 am to 2.00 pm

Description of the immovable/ movable assets: :All that piece and parcel of agricultural land of 5 Acres at Sy. No. 6/13 at Masthenahalli village, Srinivasapura Tk, Kolar district bounded on **East by:** Own property and Proerty 6/P3-P1, **West by:** Property of K Chandramathi and M P Narayanagowda, **North by:** Road And **South by:** Property of Venkateshappa.

A) RESERVE PRICE - Rs. 3,96,58,000.00 B) EMD - Rs. 39,65,800.00

All that piece and parcel of residential house building bearing No. 25, E-khatha no. 151901102400100030 measuring East to West 24.384 Meters and North to South 27.1272 Meters at Mastenhalli Village, Velagalaburre Post, Srinivasapura Taluk, Kolar Dist bounded on **East by:** Property of Badhrappa, **West by:** Property of Narayanaswamy, **North by:** Property of S Narayanaswamy **And South by:** Property of G M Eragappa.

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1. All that piece and parcel of residential site bearing no 3, E-Khatha No 151900703400320122 form No.11A Certificate No. 3608562, Khatha No. 54/87/3 measuring East to West 18.288 Meters and North to South 12.192 Meters totally measuring 222.97 Sqmeters at Ammerahalli village, Kondarajanahalli Grama Panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Kolar bounded on **East by:** 30 feet Road, **West by:** Property of J Muniswamy, **North by:** Site No. 04 And **South by:** Site No.01 and 02.

2. All that piece and parcel of residential site bearing no 4, E-Khatha No 151900703400320123 form No.11A Certificate No. 3608562 measuring East to West 18.288 Meters and North to South 12.192 Meters totally measuring 222.97 Sqmeters at Ammerahalli village, Kondarajanahalli Grama Panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Kolar bounded on **East by:** 30 feet Road , **West by:** Property of J Muniswamy, **North by:** Site No. 05 And **South by:** Site No.03.

A) RESERVE PRICE - Rs. 1,74,96,000.00 B) EMD - Rs. 17,49,600.00

2	**1) Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s) :** **1) M/S AK ENTERPRISES** NO. 920, 2ND CROSS, MD BLOCK, MALLESHWARAM BENGALURU- 560003 **2)SRI RAHAMATHULLA KHAN 3)MRS SAYEDA SABA KOUSER** **No 2,3 Are residing at :** NO. 23/3, M D BLOCK, 3RD CROSS LANE MALLESHWARAM, BENGALURU- 560003 **2) Canara Bank - N R Road Branch** **Mob. No. 9591001851**	**1) Rs. 8,93,825.74** plus further interest & charges **2) Mentioned each property below.**	1) 29.07.2025 upto 5.00 pm 2) 29.07.2025 upto 5.00 pm 3) EMD Payment to E-Wallet or through Challan generated in M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (BAANKNET) portal. 4) Rs. 20,000/-	1. 30.07.2025 2. 11.00 am to 2.00 pm 3. 28.07.2025 10.00 am to 2.00 pm

Description of the immovable/ movable assets : All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing number 23/4, situated at 3rd cross road, Mahammedam Block, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru, BBMP Ward No. 6, PID No. 6-31-23/4, (Formerly North-Western portion of property bearing No. 23, old no 49 & 50, later No. 690/A-56) and bounded on:- Measuring East to West: 20 feet andNorth to South: 13 feet 8 inches along with 3 feet common passage and bounded as follows: **East by:** 3 feet common passage, **West by:** Property bearing No. 23/3, **North by:** Zamrudunnisa and Late Syed Meer's property And **South by:** Vendor's Property.

A) RESERVE PRICE - Rs. 17,75,000.00 B) EMD - Rs. 1,77,000.00

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